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"Try to Fix It Up Permanently, Son!"



America is Ready for Supreme Test of Battle in 1944

Production Schedule is 25 Per Cent Greater Than for This Year

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—America is armed and ready for the supreme battle test of 1944. Behind is history's greatest sustained production achievement. After outproducing all the axis countries combined by the margin of 3 to 2 during 1943, the United States has, for the new year ahead, a production schedule 25 per cent greater.

Seventy-five billion dollars worth of armaments are on the unannounced blueprints for 1944, as against 60 billion dollars worth in the closing year.

Aircraft alone accounts for the bulk of the upturn. On the ground and on the seas, the arms program is at its peak or near it.

Many War Production Board and manpower officials, along with leaders in management and labor, expect drastic cutbacks in production even while American troops advance into the bloodiest fighting of the war.

Thus the turn of the year brings production into a new phase—some think the next-to-last phase, the prolonged pull before victory and demobilization.

The cutbacks may erase 8 to 10 billion dollars from the 1944 schedules. It is forecast, and may leave 1,000,000 workers temporarily idle.

However, if the invasion of Europe runs into tough going, WPB's top men say, the schedules may go up instead of down.

Record to Date

In a few high lights, this is the record to date:

A warplane is delivered every five minutes, night and day. A heavy bomber comes off the line every 40 minutes. Mass production is under way on the new B-29 super-bomber; it will roar into action early in the new year.

The Navy has more than 800 warships—half of them, including 40 aircraft carriers, were built this year. This doesn't include the thousands of auxiliary vessels, nor the program for 80,000 invasion craft which are now one-third built.

The merchant marine has been doubled in two years.

By last fall, the Army had enough rifle and submachine gun bullets to fire 2,000 rounds at every axis soldier; enough Army artillery ammunition to fire 17 shells at every axis soldier.

Total outlays for war, including soldiers' food and pay, had climbed last month to 146 billion dollars since the defense program started in June, 1940; 53 per cent of it was spent in 1943.

Huge Plane Production

Aircraft will amount to 45 per cent of the whole 1944 munitions program. Already America is out-producing the axis in warplanes 2 to 1; is more than matching the

THE WAR TODAY

By WILLIAM FRYE

The spectacular surge of the Red Army west of Kiev, now beginning to swing in flanking movements north and south, and the apparent collapse of the German line may imply a Nazi disaster of staggering proportions.

They have not yet produced such a disaster, and it would be a little premature to assume that the war will be over next week because of the brilliant success of General Vatutin's Ukrainian army. It may yet develop that the line has been smashed was not the main German force.

What appears to have happened is that the Russian offensive came before the Germans were entirely prepared for it, in greater force than they expected, and before the withdrawal of the bulk of German troops from the Dnieper bend could be completed.

That withdrawal may never be completed now, since the capture of Kazatin and the encirclement of Berdichev broke one of the two main rail lines out of the area; but there is every reason to believe that the withdrawal was well

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"Inadvisable"

Sikeston, Mo., Dec. 31.—On recommendation of the Gary, Ind., Red Cross chapter, Army officials said they had decided it was "inadvisable" to allow Air Cadet Denis Mathews a furlough to permit him to visit his 13-year-old invalid sister, who was reported near death in Griffith, Ind.

Mathews' sister, Martha Jean, is being given food injections by her physician, Dr. Morris Shellhouse, but she had refused to eat since hearing her brother's voice over the telephone two weeks ago. Dr. Shellhouse expressed belief that a visit from her brother, who had been her constant companion, would induce her to eat. She lost 15 pounds during her enforced fast and now weighs 20 pounds. She weighed only 19 ounces at birth.

Major H. J. Sheldon, commander of the air base, said Mathews had told officers "he didn't feel going home would help."

Modern Residence on Graham Street, Contents Destroyed by Fire Today

The modern residence of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Turner, 307 Graham street, north of the city limits, was totally destroyed by fire this morning about 6 o'clock, all of the contents being consumed by the rapidly spreading flames which forced some members of the family to flee in their night clothes. Mr. and Mrs. Turner were in the kitchen about 5:30 when the fire started from electric wires in the basement. Mr. Turner attempted to extinguish the flames which had spread to the ceiling joists in the basement, but without success and the community truck was summoned.

The flames spread rapidly, burning the electric wiring and leaving the house in total darkness as Turner attempted to connect a hose in the basement. Driven back by the heat and flames, he succeeded in driving his car from the basement garage but suffered severe burns to his right hand. The flames spread so rapidly that none of the household effects could be removed.

The limited water supply on the community truck hampered the firemen who responded to the call and within an hour the beautiful home was a total loss together with its contents. The loss, it was reported, was only partially covered by insurance.

Cape Gloucester is New Year's Present for Gen. MacArthur

Marines Praised by Commander in Chief for Speedy Victory

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Strewing the jungle with hundreds of dead Japanese, United States Marines captured savagely-defended Cape Gloucester and its airfield four days and a few hours after a seaborne force from New Guinea invaded that north-west New Britain strong point. Today the surviving Nipponese faced entrapment.

On the last day of 1943, Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, of the U. S. Sixth Army, proudly announced "I have the honor to present the Gloucester airfield to the commander in chief as a New Year's present."

General Douglas MacArthur heard Krueger's report at the latter's advanced headquarters, together with word that 700 Japanese were killed on Cape Gloucester Wednesday and Thursday alone. American losses, said Krueger, were "unbelievably light."

MacArthur thereafter made an aerial reconnaissance flight over Finschhafen, the Ramu and Markham valleys and along the Huon coast near Bluecher point, all in New Guinea where Australian soldiers are driving northward.

Praised by MacArthur

The irresistible manner in which the Marines burned their way through pillbox defenses with flame throwers, brilliantly supported by artillery and bombing planes, to complete the occupation Thursday of the base's two airstrips won praise from Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He was "particularly pleased with the speed and efficiency of the operation."

The enemy's only hope of escape lies in taking to circuitous jungle trails around the base of 6,600-foot Mt. Talawe.

Cape Gloucester in allied hands poses an air menace to nearby bases in the Bismarck archipelago.

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Disaster Threatens Nazis

Army Operation of Railroads for Long Time Seems Certain

Attitude of Two Unions Makes Return to Owners Impossible

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Army control of the railroads for the indefinite future appeared likely today in view of the darkening prospects of an early wage settlement.

President Roosevelt advised the 15 non-operating unions he is ready to make a final decision in their case, but he stipulated a basis of arbitration which the union chiefs say is unacceptable.

The war department said it wanted to return the rail system to private management but could not because at least two unions—the Firemen and Conductors—instead of cancelling strike orders, had merely postponed them for the period of government operation.

The union chiefs, after lashing the administration in one statement, asserted in reply to the war department that they had done all they had agreed to do and were empowered to do. They said a strike vote by the membership can not be cancelled by the officers while the issue which precipitated it is still alive.

The latent bitterness of the controversy emerged in the statement issued by D. B. Robertson of the Firemen, H. M. Fraser of the Conductors, and T. C. Cashen of the Switchmen, who accused the administration of bungling, delay, and of straying from the processes of the railway labor act which they, the unions, said they "scrupulously followed" during the controversy.

Fight Laid Open

The president's letter to the "nonops" laid open the fight over the scope of what he is authorized to arbitrate. In agreeing to arbitration last Monday, the 15 unions, representing over a million office, shop, and track workers, said they accepted the sliding scale increases of 4 to 10 cents and that only overtime, therefore, was left to be arbitrated.

The president said he understood that the carriers contend that the 10 cents was approved by Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson to eliminate substandard conditions and would not have been necessary if payments were to be made for overtime. The issue of overtime was injected after the 4 to 10-cent award. The unions contend the latter can not be arbitrated. They are apprehensive lest the award or the overtime be reduced if the two are considered together.

Text of Letter

The president's letter said:

18-Pound Child is Born in Knoxville

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Statistics record only four babies in the world larger at birth than the 18-pound 10½-ounce son born here yesterday to Mrs. George Esslinger.

Figures presented in Dr. Ed A. Schumann's textbook on research of large babies, indicate the Esslinger child is the fifth heaviest on record. The largest weighed 25 pounds, the book shows.

The Esslinger baby appeared normal, said the attending physician, Dr. W. D. Richards, and the 26-year-old mother, wife of a war plant worker, is doing nicely. It is the Esslingers' third son.

The boy measured 21 inches in length and had a head measurement of 15½ inches.

Physicians said the birth was a normal delivery.

The Weather

FRIDAY, DEC. 31, 1943
(By The Associated Press)

Illinois: Partly cloudy to cloudy today and fair tonight and Saturday; no important change in temperature except slightly colder south and central portions tonight.

LOCAL WEATHER

For the 24 hours ending at 6:30 p. m. (Central War Time) Thursday—maximum temperature 33, minimum 15; part cloudy.

Sharply Different Outlooks for Year in Armed Nations

(By The Associated Press)

Prospects for the new year of world conflict brought from allied military leaders declarations of confidence and victories in mighty impending blows against the enemy, while Nazi spokesmen offered the German people only gloomy predictions of more hardships in 1944.

The allies are "closing in upon the enemy" and the coming year "gives every promise of being a year of deliverance", declared Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, who is going to the Mediterranean theater as deputy commander of allied forces.

Devers told graduates of the Royal Military College at Aldershot, England, that they would participate in "what will be the most stirring and far-reaching events in the annals of the world."

In Washington, Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the U. S. Navy, said he concurred with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, new European invasion commander, that Germany may be defeated in the coming year, and asserted that a tremendous offensive against Japan is planned in 1944. The "main lines of attack" have been set, and "unremitting pressure on Japan will be continued and increased", King declared.

The American commander in the South Pacific, Admiral William F. Halsey, declared that "never have we been so ready to strike killing blows in so many places, simultaneously. We propose to strike these blows again and again."

Eisenhower Popular

Russians in Moscow, preparing to celebrate New Year's as the biggest unofficial holiday of the year, everywhere expressed hope that 1944 would see the end of the war. Associated Press correspondent Eddy Gilmore said General Eisenhower, whose prediction that Germany would be defeated in 1944 was widely published by Soviet newspapers, had suddenly become a very popular figure.

The New Year's preview as painted by German newspapers reaching Stockholm was sharply different. Hitler's Volkischer Beobachter could only offer hope that the German army might hold off the Russians, and warned it could mean defeat if the Nazi armies are forced to withdraw within the German border. Reviewing 1943, it acknowledged

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Esquire Is Held Unfit Magazine

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Postmaster General Walker has ruled that Esquire Magazine, with its curvaceous "Varga Girl" and sundry breezy cartoons and articles, is neither of the arts, news, nor science and for that reason it should be barred from the second-class mails.

It apparently was Walker's own personal decision which was announced yesterday. The majority opinion of a three-man postoffice trial board, after a two-to-one vote, had held that proceedings against the slick magazine should be dismissed.

Esquire's publisher, David Smart, at first said the decision left him "speechless", but he remained so only shortly, asserting:

"The postmaster general has gone against his own board's decision and that is unbelievable."

"Action will be commenced immediately in the appropriate court in the District of Columbia to enjoin him from carrying out his threatened revocation on the ground that his decision is completely arbitrary and capricious and against the weight of evidence introduced before the hearing board as well as the recommendation of his own duly constituted board."

Esquire's attorneys estimated it would cost the magazine \$500,000 yearly to use the higher, fourth-class rates.

Walker made his order effective Feb. 28, 1944, to give Esquire time to enter an appeal.

Record Fleet of U. S. Bombers Blasts Southwest Germany

1,500 Planes in Raids; Aerial Warfare at New Pitch at Year's End

London, Dec. 31.—(AP)—American heavy bombers supported by American and RAF fighters smashed at targets in France today. It was announced, and the Paris radio said the bombs rained in the suburbs of Paris.

Exact nature of the objectives of the daylight assault were not announced by American headquarters as the year-end aerial offensive—which had sent more than 3,000 planes thundering against enemy targets in the previous 24 hours—raged on to a climactic finish.

American planes last bombed Paris on Sept. 15, striking at the Cam ballbearing works and the Hispano-Suiza and Caudron-Renault airplane and motor works.

Other American raids on the Paris region this year were on April 4 when the Renault works was hit, Sept. 3 when the Messerschmitt repair factory was the target.

Paris was among 36 French towns warned in a BBC broadcast on Nov. 17 of impending allied air attacks.

Paris, administration center for German occupation authorities, also is a Nazi war production center. The Renault works on Seine island at Billancourt is reported to be producing transport vehicles, tanks, and airplane engines. Nearby is the Gnome-Rhone works, which turns out airplane engines for the Germans.

1,500 Bombers Over Reich

Today's attacks were in the wake of an assault on an objective—which was not announced but which may have been the chemical and poison gas works of the Germans at Ludwigshafen deep in southwestern Germany yesterday by the greatest fleet of U. S. bombers and fighters, perhaps 1,500 strong, ever sent against the Reich. Twenty-two bombers and 12 fighters were lost in the weighty operation.

Later, the Berlin radio confirmed reports that Ludwigshafen, and Mannheim, her twin industrial city across the Rhine river, were the targets of yesterday's assault.

Berlin's report, which termed the operation a "terror attack," claimed 39 aircraft were shot down.

Closing Raids of 1943

The closing raids of 1943 today also followed fresh blows last night by RAF Mosquitos which hit targets in western Germany and Northern France, and new minelaying operations, in which not a single allied plane was lost.

Targets of an estimated 500 United States medium and RAF and allied medium bombers and fighter-bombers yesterday—announced by the officials only as "military objectives in northern France"—possibly were the "rocket-gun" emplacements of the Nazis in the Pas de Calais area.

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Maryland Mosquito Will Carry Medal to Champion Liar

Burlington, Wis., Dec. 31.—(AP)—A captive Maryland mosquito carrying around its neck a diamond studded gold medal, bearing the inscription "World Champion Liar", was liberated here today.

The insect, according to O. C. Hulet, president of the Burlington Liars Club, will fly directly to an Army camp at Tooele, Utah, and there deliver the medal to Sgt. Baron S. Fennesbeck.

It was the story of this and other Maryland mosquitoes which have so much of Sgt. Fennesbeck's blood in their bodies that they send him a card on Father's Day that earned the soldier the title of "World Champion Liar of 1943."

Here is Sgt. Fennesbeck's story which the judges decided was the best of the 6,000 entered in the annual contest:

Of P-38 Type

"The mosquitoes of Maryland were of the P-38 type, and when they landed they always filled both fuselages. The first day I was there, they completely drained me of blood. The second day I was giving them I.O.U.'s."

Months later, when I was stationed in Alabama, the Maryland mosquitoes sent me a card on Father's Day because they had so much of my blood in them.

"We tried in many ways to

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President Suffers Attack of Grippe

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's cold had turned into the grippe today and the White House said he had half a degree of fever.

Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntire, the president's physician, ordered him to remain in bed today and said he probably would have to stay in bed tomorrow.

The regular Friday afternoon cabinet meeting was cancelled, along with the morning news conference. The illness will prevent the president's participating formally in any observance of New Year's Day, which he has proclaimed as a day of prayer.

RATION CALENDAR

(By The Associated Press)

Meats, fats, etc.—Book 3 brown stamps L, M, N, P and Q valid through January 1; spare stamp No. 1 in ration book No. 4 good for extra five points in purchase of pork through January 1.

Processed foods—Book 4 green stamps D, E, and F good through January 20; stamps G, H, and J become valid January 1 and remain good through February 20.

Sugar—Book 4 stamp 29 good for five pounds through January 15.

Shoes—Book 1 stamp 18 and book 3 "airplane" stamp No. 1 good indefinitely.

Gasoline—9-A coupons good for three gallons through January 21. B and C coupons valid for two gallons.

Fuel oil—Period 1 coupons good through January 3. Period 2 coupons good through February 7. Period 3 coupons good through March 13.

ODT Again Proposes Two Major Political Parties Hold Conventions in Chicago

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Office of Defense Transportation has reinforced its proposal that both major political parties hold their 1944 conventions in Chicago with a statement that more than three times as many sleeping cars arrive at the Illinois city than at any other midwest point.

In reply to a formal inquiry from Chairman Harrison E. Spangler of the Republican National Committee seeking a "list of other cities which might be used with the least interference with our transportation problem", H. F. McCarthy, director of the ODT's division of traffic movement, says:

"Indicative of Chicago's dominance is the following table showing the number of beds in regular line sleeping cars terminating at various favorably located cities:

"Chicago 11,368; New York 7,129; St. Louis 3,240; Detroit 1,528; Kansas City 1,279; and Cleveland 1,235."

McCarthy added that the "supply of sleeping cars is extremely limited—all available extra cars being dedicated to troop train service."

Last August, McCarthy wrote Spangler and Chairman Frank C. Walker of the Democratic National Committee "earnestly" recommending that the convention city be one "centrally located so as to minimize the amount of travel involved and also be a city served by the maximum number of regular trains from all directions."

"Even at the risk of offending other cities," he said, "Chicago best meets these tests in our opinion."

Reds Split Routed Remnants of Hitler Army on Bug River

Break-Thorough on 185-Mile Front Pounds Retreating Germans

BULLETIN

New York, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Italian Bari radio said today that the allied Fifth Army had captured the fortified village of San Vittore near Cassino on the road to Rome.

A broadcast to Italy recorded by the OWI said that the village, the last fortified town in the valley leading to strategic Cassino, was captured after a stubborn German defense.

The Bari radio is controlled by the Badoglio government.

Moscow, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Russian forces streaming through the greatest hole yet torn in Nazi defenses have broken into the outer Bug River defenses in a driving offensive that has split the routed remnants of Nazi Gen. Von Manstein's legions and carried to within 30 miles of the river itself, front line dispatches said today.

Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's vanguards were reported to within 43 miles of the old Polish border and within 90 miles of the Dniester river which forms Rumania's old eastern boundary.

With the Warsaw-Smelat railway severed at captured Kazatin, only one supply line remained open to the retreating Nazis before the main Odessa-Lwow line itself is endangered. That one supply line from Poland winds southeastward through the Ukraine and the Red Army advance has carried to within 20 miles of the supply link. Cutting of this line would mean that all supplies for Nazi forces in the Dnieper bend and west of Kiev would have to move over the Odessa-Lwow railway.

The advance column sweeping southwestward toward the old borders of Poland and Rumania was but 30 miles from the provincial center of Vinnitsa on the Upper Bug river.

22 Divisions Defeated

The Russian spearheads knifed through the remnants of Von Manstein's 22 defeated divisions—perhaps 300,000 troops—on the eighth day of this greatest Soviet offensive of the winter that already has swept up a total of 1,300 communities.

On the northern end of the biggest breach ever made in German lines, Red army troops were plunging west of Korosten toward Poland.

At the southern end, Soviet units were driving on the Dniester across the steppe country southwest of Kazatin, which fell yesterday.

(A Berlin broadcast heard by Reuters said the Germans had announced withdrawal of the Nazi line on the Zhitomir front, near the center of the broken wall.)

The "rout" of Von Manstein's army—so labelled by Premier Stalin in a triumphant order of the day—was hailed as comparable only to the victory of Stalin-grad, and was saluted in Moscow with 20 salvoes from 224 guns, a tribute reserved only for major successes.

More than 100 big guns, 70 tanks and thousands of military vehicles of all descriptions were declared captured, and the toll of prisoners mounted hourly.

Rail Junctions By-Passed

Zhitomir and Berdichev, German-held rail junctions at the southern end of the 185-mile breakthrough, were by-passed by Russian advance detachments, who went on to capture Kazatin, 15 miles southeast of Berdichev. Fall of Zhitomir and Berdichev was expected hourly, front dispatches indicated.

On the northern end of the long front Gen. Ivan Bagramian's First Beltsk army was closing in on Vitebsk from the north, east and west. Dispatches reported Russian units only a few miles from the center of the city on one side, after killing more than 1,000 Nazis in fierce hand-to-hand combat.

ON ITALIAN FRONT

An allied headquarters announcement announced in part at least yesterday's German broadcast that the allies had made an

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News of the Churches

GEMS OF THOUGHT

HISTORY
History owes its excellency more to the writer's manner than to the material of which it is composed.—Goldsmith.
Each generation gathers together the imperishable children of past, and increases them by new sons of light, alike radiant with immortality.—Bancroft.
Opinions alter, manners change, creeds rise and fall, but the moral law is written on the tablets of eternity.—Froude.
The cross is the central emblem of human history. Without it there is neither temptation nor glory.—Mary Baker Eddy.
The use of history is to give value to the present hour and its duty.—Emerson.
Blest is that Nation whose silent course of happiness furnishes nothing for history to say.—Thomas Jefferson.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Member,
American Lutheran Church,
521 Highland avenue.
C. L. Wagner, pastor.
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Miss Edna Gerdes, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m. with sermon by the pastor for New Year. The Lord's supper will be celebrated at this service.
The Wartburg league will meet for its regular semi-monthly meeting Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.
The Ladies' Aid society will meet at the Jacob's home for its annual Christmas party and regular business meeting Thursday afternoon.
The annual congregational meeting will be held after services Sunday, January 9th.

DIXON STATE HOSPITAL

New Year's Day services will be conducted by the Rev. W. E. Thompson.

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corner North Dixon avenue and East Morgan street.
Rev. Ronald L. French
Sunday masses at 8 and 8:30 a. m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

321 West Second street
Regular Sunday morning service at 11 a. m. Subject, "God".
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Children to the age of 20 are welcome. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 p. m.
The reading room is open each week day from 2 to 4 p. m. except on holidays.

WEST SIDE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. F. W. Tyler, pastor
9:30 a. m., Sunday school.
10:45 a. m., Morning worship.
6:30 p. m., Young People's meeting.
7:30 p. m., Evening service.
Sunday school is under the direction of Milton Grafstrom.
Mr. Tyler will speak in the morning service. The communion service will follow.
Mrs. Tyler, who is home for a short time from school, will speak to the young people.
Our evening meeting is evangelistic and informal.
Wednesday evening in the church at 7:30, prayer service.
Next Sunday, Jan. 9th, we are planning another Singing in the West Side Congregational church.

ST. JAMES CHURCH

The Church Among the Pines
R. R. Heidenreich, pastor
Sunday school at 9:45.
Worship service at 10:45.
Come and join in worship with us.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

316 East Third street
B. B. Cartwright, Jr., minister
9:30 a. m., Church school. R. M. Ferguson, superintendent.
10:45 a. m., Morning worship. Subject, "An Open Door."
6:00 p. m., United Youth Fellowship at the Episcopal church.
Wednesday, 7:15 p. m., Senior choir practice; 7:30 p. m., Bible lecture.
Thursday, 8:00 p. m., Women's Association group meetings; north

side hostess, Mrs. Gerald Weimer, 620 Brinton avenue; south side hostess, Miss Jean Hitchcock, 407 East Third street.

Friday, 7:30 p. m., Session meeting at the manse.
Saturday, Jan. 8th, 2:00 p. m., Pastor's communicant class.

MINISTERIAL ASSN.

The members of the Dixon Ministerial Association and their wives will have their annual New Year's Eve dinner at the Dixon Hotel, Friday evening at 6:00 o'clock. Arrangements are in charge of the Fellowship committee.

FOURSQUARE CHAPEL

607 West Seventh street
Rev. and Mrs. Erven E. Westerhold, pastors
Friday, 9 p. m., Watch Night service. Candlelight meeting.
Sunday school 9:15 a. m. "Jesus Begins His Ministry" the subject of the lesson.
Morning worship, 10:45 a. m. Communion service at close of morning message.
Crusader service, 6:30 p. m. Something new and valuable in store.
Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m. Tuesday, 7:45 p. m., Prayer service.
Wednesday, 2 p. m., Ladies' prayer meeting.
Friday, 7:45 p. m., Bible study.

THE CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN HOUR

Member of the Synodical Conference
Corner 2nd and Galena
I. O. F. Hall
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.
Divine service, 10:30 a. m.
Holy Communion will be celebrated in this service, Jan. 2. The theme of the sermon is "Holy Communion is a Guarantee That Our Names Are Written in Heaven." The sermon is based on Luke 10:20. The service will be conducted by the Rev. Eldor Mueller, pastor of the Second Avenue Lutheran church of Sterling.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Hennepin and Second
Albert I. Martin, minister
The church school service begins at 9:30.

The worship service begins at 10:30. Miss Lois Fellows will preside at the organ and Mrs. A. P. Tice will sing the morning solo entitled, "The Lord is My Shepherd," by Curran. "Building a Better World" will be the sermon topic.
Youth Fellowship at six and the topic will be "We Go Forward."

Women's Missionary Council meeting at 7:30.
The Senior choir will meet Wednesday evening at 7:15.
The Church Council meets Wednesday evening at eight o'clock.
The Ladies' Aid will have an all-day meeting Wednesday with devotional service at 12:30.

BETHEL UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

N. Galena and Morgan Sts.
N. J. Broadway, pastor
9:45. Bible school.
10:45. Evangelistic G. E. Vinaroff.
6:45. Young People's meeting.
7:30. Evangelist G. E. Vinaroff.

Evangelistic services every night at 7:30 except Monday.
The church with a Christ to give, a heart to love and a hand to welcome.

Evangelistic services every night Kas. is conducting the revival meetings at the Bethel United Evangelical church, N. Galena and Morgan street. The meetings are increasing in interest and attendance. Rev. Vinaroff is a convincing and fluent speaker with the old time gospel message. He conducts his own song services and sings his message in song.
Saturday evening he will speak to the young people. At this time he will introduce his mechanical doll and with magic and mystery preach the gospel through the eye gate. While this meeting is for youth, all are cordially invited to attend.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Second street at Peoria avenue
Floyd L. Blewfield, D. D., pastor
Services for Sunday, Jan. 2:
9:45 a. m., the church school.
Leon Garrison, superintendent.
Orchestra music.
10:15 a. m., the church service in charge of the pastor. Following are the special features of this service:
Organ, "Canzona" (Bach), Mr. Thomas.
Anthem, "God is a Spirit" (Bennett), the Senior choir.
Offertory, "Prayer" (Shelley), Mr. Thomas.
Meditation, "Spiritual Communion," Dr. Blewfield.
Administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. W. H. Lewis, the Rev. Clinton Sennett, the Treble Clef and Senior choirs.
Postlude, "Our Father Who in Heaven Art" (Bach).
6:00 p. m., United Youth Fellowship meeting at the St. Luke's Episcopal church including a fellowship lunch, a devotional service and a discussion period.
Events for the week:
The monthly church family co-operative supper and program will be held at the church on Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Bring your own table service, sandwiches and a dish of food to pass.
The program for this occasion will be appropriate to the opening of the new year and will include special music by the church orchestra and a message by Dr. Blewfield.

Following this program the church official board will hold its monthly business meeting.
The Treble Clef choir will hold an important rehearsal at the church on Wednesday at 4:30 p. m. Randall Warfel will direct the choir until Miss Marie Worley recovers from her prolonged illness. Mrs. George Leonard will be at the piano.
The Senior choir will rehearse at the church on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. New members will be welcome.
The W. S. C. S. of the church is calling a meeting of its executive board (all officers) for next Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the church study.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Lloyd Warren Walter, D.D., pastor
Second Sunday after Christmas.
8 a. m. New Year's Holy Communion.
9:30 a. m. The regular session of the Bible school.
10:30 a. m. Regular service with the Holy Communion.
7:30 p. m. Vespers; continuing the Holy Communion of the regular service.
Monday, 7:30 p. m. Annual congregational meeting.
Tuesday and Wednesday the pastor will visit the sick and shut-ins to celebrate communion.
Wednesday, 7:30. Senior Luther League meets.
Thursday, 2:30 p. m. Ladies' Aid meets at the church.
Saturday, 1:30 p. m. The catechetical class meets.
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. Second meeting of a group of twenty or more girls at the home of Mrs. Donald Campbell.

CHURCH OF GOD

West Morgan street
Alan McLain, pastor
9:45 a. m., Sunday school.
11:00 a. m., Morning worship.
6:30 p. m., Sunlite Bible class.
7:30 p. m., Adult Bible class.
7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Young People's Bible class.
The Adult Bible class will study the third chapter of Matthew for next Sunday evening.
The Young People's Bible class will be at the home of Misses Jean and Elizabeth Ford next Tuesday evening.
The newly elected Sunday school officers are as follows: Superintendent, Wm. Ford; assistant superintendent, Edward DuVall; secretary, Miss Helen Zbinden; and treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Wagner. The secretary is also pianist.

There will be a scramble supper in the basement of the church Jan. 6th at 6 p. m. For further information see Mrs. Wm. Ford or Mrs. F. Zbinden.

The pastor will speak next Sunday morning on "Traditions of Men." (Mark 7:8).

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

BY WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.

The lessons for the first quarter of the New Year consist of studies in the Gospel of Mark, under the dominant theme of that Gospel, the Gospel of the Son of God.
The Gospel of Mark is well adapted for such a study, though it is not the best Gospel for a study of the entire life of Christ. For that we need all four Gospels, for each supplies something that the others leave out, and each has its distinctive quality.
The Gospel of Mark begins with John the Baptist and his work of preparation for the coming of the ministry of Jesus. From that we come at once into the adult ministry of the Master, without a word concerning His miraculous birth, and the wonderful story of His childhood and childhood. There is no picture of Jesus in the Temple, and no record of how He grew up in the normal life of a boy, "increasing in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man."
The Gospel of Mark was probably the first of our Gospels to be written, and these things were undoubtedly so well known among those for whom Mark wrote that he felt it unnecessary to go into matters which Luke, for instance, felt it necessary to relate in detail at a later time.
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concerning the divine life of the Master, by what He is, and not just by what Mark says about Him.

Is not that the ideal way to know the Master and feel His power—not by hearsay, not by what others say about Him, but by discovering Him for ourselves? Here in the beginning of the story, following the baptism of Jesus, is the simple record of how Jesus began to preach and of what He said. Then follows the evidence of the effect of His message upon the fishermen who left their nets to follow Him—the first evidence of the amazing drawing power of the Master.
Here, too, we come upon a word that almost marks the character of Mark's Gospel. It is the word "straightway," and it is an interesting project to count the number of times that Mark uses the word in the Gospel. It is indicative of the immediacy of everything he tells. Nothing is happening at second hand; we are right on the scene. Was there ever a more wonderful narrative than the 16 chapters of this Book of Mark? What a privilege to study it! And what an experience if we come to know and see Jesus as Mark knew Him and saw Him!

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8:00 a. m., Holy Communion.
9:30 a. m., Church school worship and instruction.
10:45 a. m., Choral Eucharist and sermon by the rector on "Faith for a Wartime New Year."

6:00 p. m., United young people's meeting at St. Luke's parish hall.

Wednesday: Monthly requiem Holy Communion in the chapel with intervention for the departed, especially those who have laid down their lives in the service of their country.

Thursday: The Feast of the Epiphany: 10:00 a. m. Holy Communion in the chapel.

Friday: 2:30 p. m. Saint Agnes Guild meets for their annual election of officers as guests in the home of Mrs. George Hawley and Mrs. Nina Stabler, 316 Ottawa avenue.

Friday, 7:45 p. m., Vestry meeting in the parish hall.

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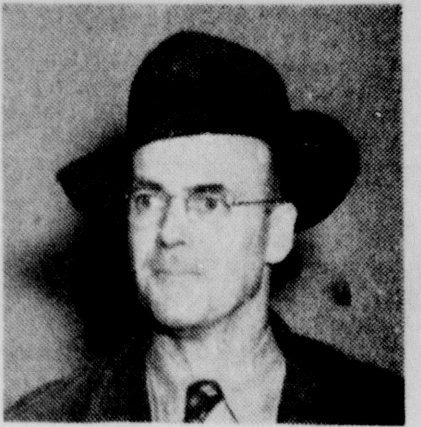
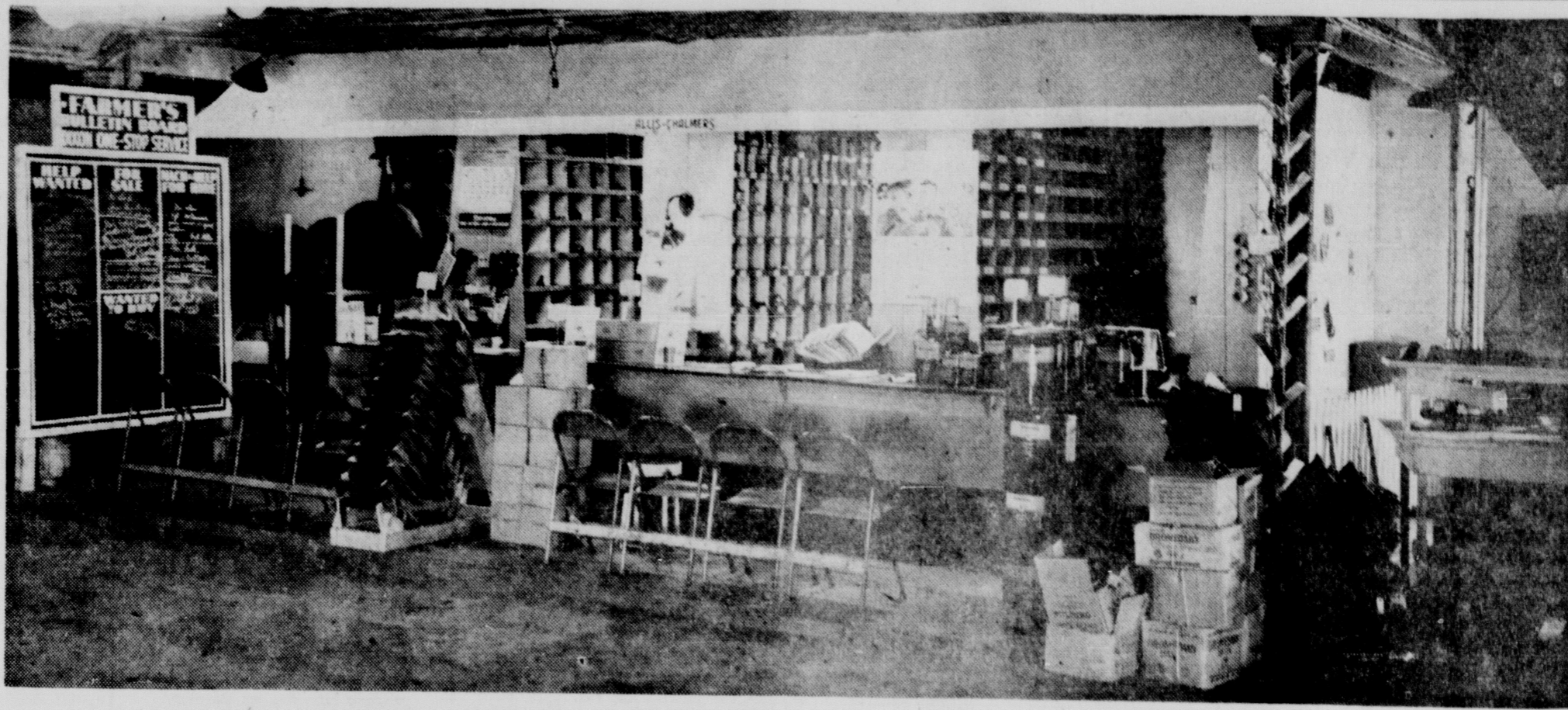
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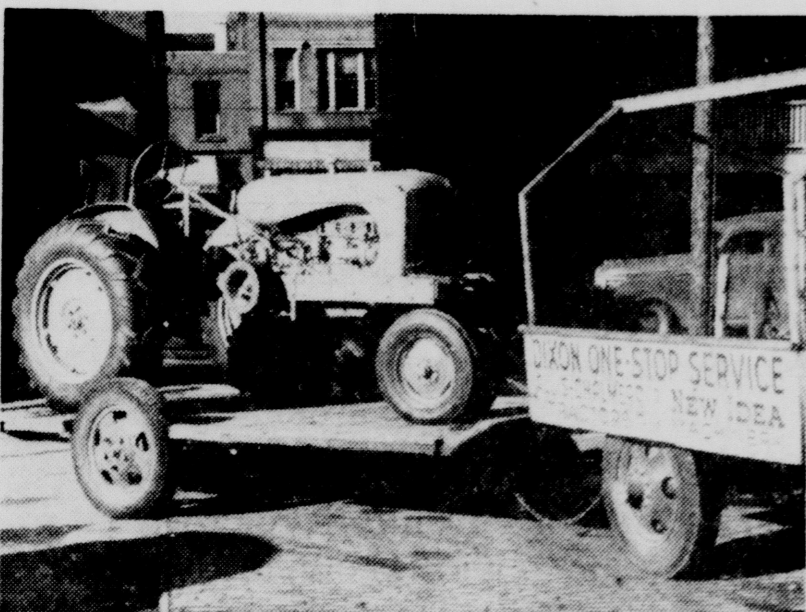
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A Thought for Today

Evile pursueth sinners; but to the righteous good shall be repayed.—Proverbs 13:21.

Often the fear of one evil leads us into a worse.—Boileau.

Greetings, 1944

The nice thing about any New Year is that it provides us with a good excuse to turn over a new leaf. We seldom do—or, when we do, we quickly spoil the new leaf. But that is our own fault. We have the opportunity, we have the incentive, we have the reminder. The rest is up to us.

Here comes New Year, 1944. It can be a pretty fine year. It is the year in which we hope to knock out Hitler and, more important, the nazism for which he stands. It is the year in which we hope to get our steam roller rolling in the Pacific against the Japs.

Already, almost imperceptibly, we have reached a virtual peak in war production, and in certain lines have attained actual or immediately prospective surpluses in raw materials. Before 1944 is ended some of those surpluses may begin turning into the more essential civilian items.

In 1943 coffee rationing was ended, sugar rationing lightened, and we reached the probable depths of maladministration or food shortages, so that for 1944 we can hope expectantly for something better.

A lot of other bright prospects could be enumerated. They all are things which should contribute to making the New Year a better year.

On the other hand, the worst of the fighting in Europe and the Pacific lies ahead. Tens of thousands of our young men are going to die, and many times that number will be wounded. In 1944, to protect the blessings we have and those to which we look forward.

Those who have died and those who will die—and equally, those who risk death and are fortunate enough to escape—are entitled to return to at least as good a country as they left to go to war. It is our responsibility to protect their rights in that respect.

Are we going to sit back, and leave it to the men in uniform to make 1944 a better year for us? Or are we going to turn over that new leaf here at home, and do something to make 1944 a better year for the men in uniform?

Well, for better or for worse, here comes the new year.

Greetings, young fellow. You're very welcome.

Good Spotting

One evening in mid-October it now is permissible to report a Junkers 88 bomber that had spanned the Atlantic ocean flew across the eastern United States and landed at Wright Field Dayton.

The bomber was one which a young German pilot who decided the war had gone far enough so far as he was concerned delivered to an Allied

airfield in the Mediterranean. It was brought to this country for study by our experts. But spotters along the route did not know that. To them it was a nazi bomber. Frantic reports came into control centers. Three of them correctly identified the plane as a JU-88.

Such alert intelligent spotting is encouraging. So is the fact that there were numerous occasions when the Junkers would have been shot down if its American crew had not identified themselves thoroughly. The whole story of the bomber's flight would contain small comfort for any nazi idea of sneaking planes over here.

Peace Hath Her Victims, No Less Than War

The American public has been warned to prepare for large military casualty lists, perhaps totaling 500,000 men. It is supposed these losses will be incurred by the Americans in trying to make a landing somewhere on the coast of Europe.

It is a distasteful subject, but for the purpose of this editorial we have to remark that under the circumstances of this attempted landing, the opposing men will be trying desperately to kill each other. Hundreds of millions of dollars worth of airplanes, tanks, artillery pieces, small arms, bombs, mines—all the devices of death that men have been able to invent, will be used by the enemy. Nothing will be overlooked. Even the bayonet no doubt will come into play; and if necessity arises there will be hand-to-hand fighting with commando tactics.

The Germans are believed to have placed every conceivable sort of trap to fell our men. Their aim will be to make a landing attempt so costly that we will be driven away and never try it again. Our men of necessity will have to be massed—at first in boats and later on the shores. They will be fair targets for everything the enemy can toss.

Still it is estimated that we can make the landing and form a front against the German main armies at a cost of no more than half a million men.

By a rough estimate, more than half a million Americans have been killed right here in the United States by automobile accidents in circumstances under which no one was trying to kill anyone else, and in which no one wanted to be killed.

Back in 1912 the automobile casualty list was comparatively negligible, the total deaths being 1758. As the number of automobiles increased, so did the number of accidents. By 1920 the total was more than 9,000. By 1927 the figure was past 27,000. By 1934 we were killing each other at the rate of nearly 34,000 a year. Since the start of gasoline rationing the number of accidents has dropped—but so insignificantly in proportion to the number of miles traveled that it proves the problem has not been solved. It is estimated that the number of persons killed in automobile accidents in the United States since 1912 is more than 600,000.

If someone had announced many years ago that he had a new invention which would be pleasant and profitable to use, but that it would be so misused as to cost the lives of more than half a million men, women and children in less than thirty years, there would have been drastic attempts to suppress it. Bills would have been introduced in congress and they might have had a good chance of passage.

We grant that war is horrible, that it stirs up emotions that had best remain latent and that purposeful killing is more to be deplored than killing by accident. But at the same time an automobile victim is no less a victim and his or her career is cut off as surely and finally as though explosives or bayonets had been used for that purpose. Something should be done to help win the traffic peace here at home.

He cancelled shortly after my column in the fall spoofing Willkie's conclusion that swift air travel made the world one and reminding of the remaining differences of culture, economics, race, religion, etc. In 15 years of the column, this is the only client to quit for a political reason.

These 300 papers represent every political viewpoint popular in the United States, farm, city, Republican, Democrat, isolationist, inter-nationalist. It would be fatal and foolish for the column to present the editorial line of any one of them, or group of them, because that would automatically exclude the rest of them and diminish the business of the column.

It would be suicidal to present an internationalist line or an isolationist line, because in either case the number of papers publishing it would be cut just about in half. An anti-British anti-Russian policy would leave me with practically nothing.

So I am necessarily kept in the groove of the facts, the groove which I chose as my primary purpose, to hold so many diversified newspaper elements as satisfied customers over the years. If I should wander from it even subconsciously, I soon will be caught up.

For that reason, I do not generally answer the isolated criticism that I am this or that, criticism which necessarily must be restricted to those who do not know the situation in which I work.

Comparatively few are these, but many are like the head of the department of social studies at Belmont Junior high school, Dr. E. Henry Powell, who gave me recently the best understanding of my intentions:

"Dear Paul Mallon: "I am addressing you thus familiarly because that is the way you seem to me. Few of my friends seem as close to me as you do. After all, when a fellow listens to you every morning for years through your column, it takes a real close friendship to approach its total effect.

"I have attended many colleges both here and abroad and have many degrees, earned and honorary, but no professor or combination of professors has approached the contribution you have made to my knowledge and understanding", etc.

To that purpose the column again is dedicated next year, each day, I will try to dig out some hidden guiding factor, or some new intelligence of the day's developments to add to my knowledge, and pass it on to you to add to yours.

The incontestable answer to all this juvenile delinquency in the news is one word—discipline.

This is not old-fogeyism, but ultra modern psychiatric doctrine. The instinctive tendencies of children must be curbed by discipline until they have reached the age where self-restraint enables them to conform to social customs and to take advantage of social opportunities.

Too many parents and children themselves erroneously believe that modernism permits free expression of their instincts. This leads to the current savage eyerors of our vaunted civilization in which prostitution has been flaunted conspicuously in cities by grade school girls, thefts and crime before the age of reason has been reached, and murder of parents by children who find them troublesome.

The fault is not with modern principles, but that they are not enforced. Toleration of such popular misconceptions is the crime of our age.

I have seen, in Times Square, New York, girls barely past puberty with soldiers and sailors, not in small groups, but in droves, while police look on shaking their heads in apparent helplessness. I could break that up in 15 minutes.

Everywhere that soldiers and sailors go, there are MP's. If the Military Police were ordered to detain and question every serviceman accompanying a girl of doubtful age, and terms in the guard-house were provided, the practice would soon lose its current trend.

The experts on this subject of juvenile delinquency, even including Mrs. Roosevelt, all think in

Weekly Sessions on Production of Swine at Sublette

A series of seven weekly meetings on swine production starting Monday, January 3, at 8:00 p. m. will be held in the Community building at Sublette. The meetings are being sponsored by the vocational agriculture department of the Amboy township high school and are a part of the high school agriculture program as planned by the agriculture council which met in December.

The meetings will be of the discussion type. O. C. Holt, high school agriculture instructor, who will act as discussion leader, announces the following topics for discussion:

Meeting I—How Efficient are We as Pork Producers and What Is the Present Swine Outlook?

Meeting II—Selecting Breeding Animals and Preparing Them for Breeding.

Meeting III—Fundamental Nutritional Needs of Livestock.

Meeting IV—Feeding for Pork Production.

Meeting V—Controlling Swine Parasites.

Meeting VI What Should a Swine Sanitation Program Include.

Meeting VII—(To be arranged.)

These meetings have been arranged for anyone interested in pork production, and are free. The committee in charge of local arrangements is composed of: Jack Malach, Byron Thier, Leonard Henkel, Vernon Becker, Leo Bulfer, Jr., Ralph Long, Norman Fauble, Paul Mossholder, Reginald Rapp, Clark Angier, and Wilson Roemmich.

social grooves apparently, proposing only that more and more money be sent for boys clubs, playgrounds, social workers, psychiatrists in police courts, etc. After they get all those things done, they will still need the answer, discipline.

The home is still the cradle of our culture. Discipline should be re-established there on modern psychiatric lines. If the home is broken up by parental delinquency (which also is widespread), or by the war, or for whatever cause, discipline will have to be exerted somewhere else.

We could start by restoring it to the schools. Nowadays, teachers are afraid to touch the poor little dears.

I know one school teacher in whose four Junior high school classes, only 50 percent are up in their work today, the remaining half being delinquent. She cannot make them work. Her hands are tied by modern misconceptions of science against just punishment in any effective form.

If the restoration of home and school discipline is not enough, the churches are the next power that might be able to use some. By all means, use of such power, and in fact all youth leadership, must be kept away from the state particularly the federal government.

Now is the best time in the world to judge what state discipline will do, with fresh evidence of what Hitler and Mussolini did in brutalizing their little nazis and fascists. We will have none of that here.

Nor can you get discipline by expansion of social work of ex post facto punishment in juvenile courts. The place to start is in the beginning and someone will have to do it, parents, schools, churches, perhaps all three.

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Mr. Murray is survived by two daughters, Kathleen of Chicago

and Marian of Dixon; two sons, Kenneth, who is in the Army Air Corps at Orlando, Fla., and William at home; a sister, Mrs. Jewel Newman of Chicago; and a brother, James of Dixon.

Suburban—

RICHARD ROSENBAUM
Oregon, Dec. 31.—Richard Rosenbaum, six months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rosenbaum, died Thursday morning at the Warmoits clinic. A brother and sister

survive in addition to the parents. The child was born June 6, 1943. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Pine Creek Brethren church, the Rev. N. H. Rittenhouse of Mount Morris officiating, and burial will be in the church cemetery.

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This took me rather by surprise, as it may take you, because it had never occurred to me that jail-building was a specialty in which anyone took such pride. Still, we should have known because, after all, Sing Sing and San Quentin, at least in their newer buildings are handsome expressions of a highly specialized ability and interest, and a firm which has been building prisons since 1878 naturally would look back like any other company with a mobile tradition of improving achievement in any other field. The illustration depicts a giant hand holding aloft on the fingertips a gem of a cell, apparently for jangle occupancy, plain to the point of austerity, but obviously a quiet challenge even to Basil Banghart, last re-

ported in Alcatraz, who had boasted that Joliet could not hold him and proved his point by going away for a trip. This hand and this chaste apartment are imposed on an outline map of the United States with Van Dorn jails and prisons dotted here and there such as Auburn, N. Y., with 1514 cells, Maryland penitentiary, with 820, Nebraska state prison with 501 and San Quentin, 800.

Might I say, however, to the Van Dorn people that for all their understandable pride in their work and their eagerness to help in building the brave new world of the future, there is something slightly pessimistic in their almost joyous assumption that the United States will then need more and stronger jails? Have they any particular individuals in mind as prospective tenants, considering the fact that Hitler, Mussolini, Goering, Goebbels, Himmler and the blood-guilty Japanese will be capital cases, or is it just that a company which has been building coolers for 65 years has formed a certain impression of human nature and is playing percentage for the future? Are they looking to a new school of war profiteers to boom business for them and do they anticipate in that brave new world there will be a new list of crimes adopted from the political codes of some of our good neighbors?

At present, the Van Dorns are engaged 100 per cent in the production of armor plate for tanks and other war devices and there is an unspoken tribute to countless nameless yeggs, bandits, murderers and racketeers, many of them long dead, in the soft remark that it was the experience gained in housing them away which prepared this company to play its part in the winning of this war against man's inhumanity to man. They, too, then, were doing their bit, thousands of forgotten sinners, long before the men were born who are actually fighting the aggressors.

"You never expected to find a solution to one of your postwar problems in a jail cell, did you?" Well, it is an idea, freedom from worship, freedom from want and fear, freedom from expense, debt and responsibility, social security, equality and limited freedom of expression, in a jail cell. Where else on earth could such

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS By PAUL MALLON

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A publisher has written that my analyses of developments at Moscow, Teheran, Cairo, and elsewhere the past few months have caused some few of his readers to slide into the conclusion that I am tending toward an anti-Russian or anti-British policy line, and one irate reader, at least, characterized my work as un-American or unpatriotic.

Trying to submit to the public factual data in the face of war propaganda naturally entails dangers of misunderstandings both as to my purpose and contexts.

In these excited days, it is not unnatural for any of us to suspect any other thoughts than our own, or facts which conflict with those which previously entered our own minds, as unwelcome "propaganda". With censorship and official propaganda necessarily guiding most public comment, it is even more dangerous for anyone to get too far ahead of the official propaganda line.

Truth alone can justify such a course, and it always comes along sooner or later, in this instance, rather promptly. Dissatisfaction of Mr. Hull and our foreign policy makers with the Russo-Czechoslovakia treaty, negotiated by Stalin immediately after Teheran, proved more than the points made. Indeed, my publisher friend had forgotten my several columns before Moscow urging and helping to prepare the way for agreement.

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Society News

Dixon People Make Plans For Gala New Year's Eve

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To welcome in the New Year of 1944 in the proper manner there will be a number of large parties and open houses this evening, and there will be many small get-togethers in homes where friends will be exchanging greetings and hoping for a new year that will see peaceful times and the return of those who are serving in the armed forces. Customs that have been fulfilled each year in many Dixon homes, the custom of holding open house on New Year's Eve, will become small gatherings of late supper parties for just a few friends.

Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen and Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen, Jr., will entertain this evening for invited guests from Chicago and also from Dixon to welcome in the New Year.

At Christmastime invitations were sent out to friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Cahill and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy for an open house party to be held this evening at the Cahill home. They will be receiving guests who will help celebrate the passing of the old year and welcoming of 1944.

The usual party planned for New Year's Eve at the Dixon Elks club will take place this evening with dancing from 10 o'clock until 3 in the morning. This year Bill Cooper's orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for dancing and a large crowd is expected. There will be a buffet supper served at midnight and noise-makers and favors for all who plan to attend.

Many war workers from the Green River ordinance plant are making plans to attend the Elks' party this evening.

There will be a large group of the high school set attending the party planned for this evening to ring out the old year and welcome the new, at the American Legion hall.

The sons of the American Legion Dixon Post are playing host tonight to their high school friends at a New Year's Eve dancing party in the American Legion clubrooms. The country's best orchestras, played by recordings, will supply dance music from 9 o'clock until 12.

The local S. A. L. squadron is sponsoring the party, and Legion and Auxiliary members will be acting as chaperones. Refreshments will be served during the evening. Denny Vile heads the committee in charge and he is being assisted by Eugene Phalen and Marvin Kennaugh.

BALDWIN AUXILIARY
Baldwin Auxiliary will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at G. A. R. hall. All members are asked to be present.

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AMOMA MEMBERS MEET FOR PARTY

The Christmas party of the Amoma class was held at the home of Mrs. W. D. Milliken, teacher, Tuesday evening at her home. There were 34 members present.

Devotionals were lead by Mrs. Milliken and Christmas carols sung in a dimly lighted room while Mrs. Ethel Leggett told a story of how the Christmas songs were written. Mrs. Milliken read several letters of greetings from former members who have moved away from Dixon to make their homes.

The basement of the Milliken home was beautifully decorated in holiday dress and the rest of the evening was spent there where a grab bag of personal gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by the hostess. Secret sisters were revealed and others selected for the coming year. Millie Steen was awarded the prize for the evening.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ruth Scholl on Jan. 25 at 7:30 o'clock.

WELSH-TEAL

Miss Mary Welsh of Dixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Welsh, 716 College avenue, became the bride of George Teal, son of Mrs. May Teal, Franklin Grove, on Christmas Eve morning in the parsonage of St. Paul's Lutheran church, with Rev. Lloyd Walter officiating.

The bride wore a light green two-piece suit for her wedding. The couple spent their honeymoon in Freeport and are now at home in Franklin Grove.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

Capt. E. M. Bock, who was home for the Christmas holidays and a visit with his family, received word while here of his promotion to the rank of Major. Capt. Bock is stationed in the Intelligence division at Camp Ritchie, Md., and has been in the armed forces for the past two years.

FROM OKLAHOMA

Miss Marjorie Eberly has just arrived home from a visit in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where she has been spending a Christmas vacation with her fiancé, Corp. Melvin Shank, who is serving in the United States Army at Fort Sill.

HOLIDAY GUESTS ENTERTAINED IN AMBOY RESIDENCE

When Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzpatrick of Amboy entertained at a holiday dinner Christmas they had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Ross Doran and Stephen, Mrs. Marie McCaffrey, Leo, Joseph and Mary Jean as their guests. There were three members of their family who were not present at their dinner this year, Corp. Will Fitzpatrick, Jr., Mary Fitzpatrick Middelendorf and her husband, Sgt. Mark Middelendorf. Corp. Fitzpatrick has spent the last two Christmases in the armed forces.

Mrs. Middelendorf, who is a registered nurse, it at the ordnance plant at Jackson, Miss., and Sgt. Middelendorf is an instructor at headquarters there.

Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Doran entertained with a party in their home honoring Capt. and Mrs. Lynch of Aurora. Capt. Lynch is an instructor at the Marmion Military academy.

Those present were Mrs. Joseph Doran, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Irving Fitzpatrick, Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn and sons of Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fitzpatrick and Miss Regina of Harmon and Mr. and Mrs. Will Fitzpatrick and Bernard.

Five hundred was played during the evening and the prizes were awarded to Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. Will Fitzpatrick, Theodore and Irving Fitzpatrick. Refreshments were served.

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Calendar

Tonight
Dixon Elks Lodge—Annual New Year's Eve party; Bill Cooper's orchestra; public invited.

Monday
G. A. R.—Installation of officers; scramble supper at G. A. R. hall, 6:30 p. m.
Dixon Public Library Board—Will meet at the library, 7:30 p. m.

Gamma Mu Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi sorority—Will meet at the home of Mrs. Henry Pollock, 7:45 p. m.
O. E. S. Parlor club—Will meet at Brinton Memorial Masonic temple; dessert-bridge, 1:30 p. m.

Service Club—Mrs. George Nichols, hostess, at the home of Mrs. H. C. Warner, 321 E. Everett, 2 p. m.

Tuesday
Baldwin Auxiliary—Will meet at G. A. R. Hall, 7:30 p. m.

Nelson Home Bureau unit Mrs. John Mueller, hostess; scramble luncheon at noon.

South Dixon Teachers' Reading circle—Miss Marie Moore, hostess.

Wednesday
Wawokye Club—Will meet at the home of Mrs. Grace Stanley for all day meeting.

Prairieville Red Cross—Will meet at Prairieville church; surgical dressings, 1 p. m.

Thursday
Presbyterian Women's Association—North side group will meet with Mrs. Gerald Weimer; south side group will meet with Miss Jean Hitchcock, 8 p. m.

V. F. W.—Will meet at the club house, 8 p. m.

Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Lutheran church—Will meet at the church at 2:30 p. m.

GARMAN-DAVIS WEDDING OCCURS CHRISTMAS EVE

A simple wedding was solemnized on Thursday evening, Dec. 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Garman of Brookville, when their daughter, Esther, was united in marriage to Joe M. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Davis of Polo. The double ring ceremony was read by the Rev. John H. Walter, pastor of Grace Evangelical church. Only the immediate families of the bride and groom were present for the wedding. The date chosen by the bride marked the 34th wedding anniversary of her parents.

The bride wore a sky blue wool jersey dress with chocolate brown accessories. Her corsage was of sweetheart roses.

A wedding supper for 16 guests was served at a table centered with a tiered pink and white cake topped with figurines. Pink and white tapers in crystal candelabra completed the table decorations.

When the bride and groom left for a short honeymoon, Mrs. Davis was wearing a Churchill tan suit with brown accessories.

Mrs. Davis is a teacher in the Lincoln school at Freeport, and Mr. Davis is a buyer for Armour & Co., at Polo. While both will continue their positions, they will make their home for the present with the bride's parents.

GRACE CHURCH WILL HAVE PROGRAM ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

A varied three-hour program will be presented New Year's Eve at the Grace Evangelical church of Dixon, Rev. George D. Nielsen, pastor of the church, announces. There are to be three sections to the program.

At 9 o'clock in the evening a sacred musicale by the Grace church choir and others will be presented. The choir will sing "Chimes of the New Year" (Norman) and "God's Hand Has Led" (Wilson). Mrs. K. Seiler will present a soprano solo; the mixed quartet, consisting of Mrs. R. Herbert, Mrs. W. Schreiner, R. F. Wulbrandt, and the pastor will sing Park's "Marching Men." "Come In" is to be presented by the Ladies' quartet, the personnel of which is Mrs. Herbert, Mrs. Schreiner, Mrs. Seiler and Mrs. Ralph Nielsen. Mrs. Austin Smith will give a talk on "Giving Gifts to the King." Grace church workers will take part in the Annual Installation Consecration service.

At ten o'clock there will be a social fellowship hour, sponsored by the Young People of the church. There is to be a program, fellowship, and refreshments.

The Eighth Annual Candlelight Communion service with message by the pastor, will be held at 11 o'clock. All are welcome to attend.

DIXON SOLDIERS ARE ENTERTAINED

Mrs. John Stewart of 211 North Peoria avenue has received a letter from her husband, Pvt. John Stewart of Camp Roberts, Calif., that he and two other men from Dixon, Pvt. Gene D. Harvey and Pvt. Patrick Dunphy, were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Graybill of San Miguel, Calif., on Christmas day for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Graybill will be remembered as former Dixon residents, and their many friends here will be glad to know that they are doing their share of entertaining men in service stationed at Camp Roberts. They are especially glad when someone from Dixon is stationed there.

FROM WASHINGTON

Lt. and Mrs. John Culley arrived yesterday from Washington, D. C. Accompanying them was Lt. Culley's mother from Evans-ton.

NEW YEAR BELLS 1944

By Robert D. Duncan

THE bells have much to say tonight, And it is well to listen, not half-hear; Beneath the brazen, cacophonous clamor, Proclaiming birth once more of a new year,

A thousand-throated voice booms deep In measured, solemn syllable it mourns Our shining, flame-girt dead of year now gone, And then in rising tone it grimly warns

Against erasing, as is human wont, All memory of darkness, days nightmarish The twelvemonth past has forged a blade Still new, by it vast hordes must perish,

Before the Day of Light may dawn Cast off old, embrace the new, the bells intone, Strength born of fire will vanquish heights ahead, And end man's serfdom, that Peace may reign alone

The bells in Tokyo, Berlin

Tell forth no proud, determined din,

The undertone of each paced boom

Sepulchraly is sounding, "Doom!"

DIXON GIRL SCOUTS END YEAR OF ACTIVITIES, ANTICIPATE EVEN BETTER ONE IN 1944

Dixon Girl Scouts will this week close a holiday season in which troops throughout the city sang carols to hospitals, shut-ins, and the residents of Dixon State hospital. Other activities included the dressing of dolls to be given to various welfare organizations for distribution to needy children, and yesterday the Scouts turned in donated dolls to the public nursery.

"Although this has been the third wartime Christmas, it has had a special meaning for all Girl Scouts," Mrs. James R. Palmer, Dixon Girl Scout commissioner, said today. "They celebrated the season with higher hopes for peace on earth than has been possible since Pearl Harbor, and they are looking into the New Year with courage and confidence, planning ahead for a postwar world in which they hope that war and devastation will never again make routine headlines."

Mrs. Palmer said that the goals of all Scouting throughout Dixon for the duration will be self-reliance, cooperation, and service to others.

To prepare themselves for the duty that lies ahead, all Girl Scouts are aware of the necessity for self-reliance. The sheltered lives of the women of the past cannot be expected in the immediate future, if ever again, and the women leaders of tomorrow know that the stern test of a postwar world will force them to depend mainly on themselves. To that end, Girl Scouts are working now.

Cooperation, too, is necessary as never before. In a future where the entire world is one's neighbor, cooperation is needed and must be achieved, a cooperation that extends even beyond national boundaries. Girl Scouting, world-wide in scope, will have its work to do in a cooperative world. Their goal of service to others is ever before all scouts. It is the same spirit of service with which our fighting men go to battle. Women, too, have shown their willingness to face even death in order to render service in this total war that has been forced on our peace-loving nation. With this in mind, the Girl Scouts of Dixon are recommitting themselves for service whenever needed in our community.

Since Mrs. Palmer's term as commissioner began, she has increased Dixon Girl Scout membership by thirty-five per cent. Within the past two years the national organization has increased its membership twenty-five per cent. "There is no longer a question in anybody's mind that Girl Scouting is important war work," Mrs. Palmer emphasized. "Furthermore, Girl Scouting is recognized as one of the nation's assets in postwar training for citizenship and service. Girl Scouting in

Toy Makers



Making toys for children in day nurseries is one of many ways the Girl Scouts serve community and country in wartime.

Dixon is entrenching for better service, tightening its technique for community cooperation, for we realize that our biggest work is still ahead."

Mrs. John Malay this week began her work at the Girl Scout headquarters to replace Miss Grace Ritson, former Dixon Girl Scout executive. Mrs. Malay and Mrs. Palmer are working out a program for a concentrated wartime program in Dixon, the outline of which will be announced at an early date.

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Miss Millett Says Farewell to List of War-Worn Phrases

By RUTH MILLETT

In 1944 I resolve not to use any of the following phrases—not because there is anything wrong with them—only because they have worked at least time and a half since the war started:

"For the duration."
"War widows"—as applied to wives who are living alone because their husbands are in service.

"Doing a swell job." Ever since the war started everybody has been "doing a swell job"—from the girls who dance at USO parties to the boys in the fox-holes.

"The boys in service" as a term to include all men in uniform. The ones who haven't been "boys" for a long time must be awfully sick of the phrase.

"Johnny Doughboy." That not only has become tiresome, but it has such a light-hearted sound, considering that we are talking

about the men who are fighting and dying for their country.

And that is an over-worked phrase, too—"fighting and dying." It rolls too easily from our lips and typewriters, considering its meaning.

"Don't you know there's a war on?" Surely everybody knows by this time. So let's quit asking the question.

In Case of a Slip
I think maybe it is time we quit worrying about the optimists who think the war is "going to end tomorrow." I haven't met anyone like that in a long, long time. Have you? But we hear about them almost every day.

Of course, I may slip up and use one of those phrases now and then. But in I do, please call me on it—in case you are as sick of them as I am.

(Miss Millett: Don't forget "far-flung battlefronts of the world." —Ed.)

PRAIRIEVILLE UNIT

Members of the Surgical Dressing unit of Red Cross at Prairieville will meet Wednesday at the Prairieville church at 1 o'clock. A new quota of surgical supplies have arrived and it is most important that all faithful workers return to aid in finishing the work that is to be done in a short time.

SERVICE CLUB

Mrs. George Nichols will be hostess to members of the Service club Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Henry C. Warner, 321 East Everett.

LADIES OF G. A. R.

A scramble supper at 6:30 in G. A. R. hall, will be held by ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Monday evening. There will also be installation of officers.

HOME FOR HOLIDAY

Bob Hess, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hess, is home from Marmion Military institute in Aurora for the holidays. He will return on Monday, Jan. 3.

Poor gasoline mileage in your auto is often traced to failure of the manifold heat control valve.

MISS VELVA PEACH WEDS PVT. AKRIDGE

Miss Velva Peach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Peach of Walnut, and Pfc. Clifford Akridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Akridge of Deer Grove, were united in marriage Tuesday at 11 a. m. at the Christian parsonage in Peoria. They were attended by Miss Theresa Egan of Deer Grove and Lyle Peach, brother of the bride.

The bride was attired in a light blue suit and wore brown accessories. Miss Egan wore brown, with harmonizing accessories. Both wore corsages of white carnations.

A wedding dinner followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents for the immediate families. The wedding cake was baked by Mrs. Floyd Peach, aunt of the bride. The couple left on a short wedding trip and will make their home at Butler, Pa., where Pfc. Akridge is stationed.

NACHUSA CIRCLE

Nineteen members of the Nachusa Reading circle met at the home of Mrs. Ted Seavey last evening for a 6 o'clock chicken and waffle supper. Book reports were given by Marion Hahn and Emma Butler.

—FEED THE BIRDS—

GREETINGS!

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MARKETS

Chicago Grain Table

	Open	Close	Yesterday	Close
WHEAT—				
May	1.68 1/2	1.68 1/2		
July	1.66 1/2	1.65 1/2		
Sept.	1.65 1/2	1.64 1/2		
OATS—				
May	.78 1/2	.78		
July	.77 1/2	.77		
Sept.	.75 1/2	.75 1/2		
RYE—				
May	1.27 1/2	1.26 1/2		
July	1.25 1/2	1.24 1/2		
Sept.	1.24 1/2	1.24 1/2		
BARLEY—				
May	1.21 1/2	1.21 1/2		

Chicago Produce

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Poultry, live, firm; 1 car 24 trucks; leghorn chickens 26; other market unchanged.

Butter, firm; receipts 280,570; market unchanged.

Eggs, receipts 8,699; unsettled; market unchanged.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—(WFA)—Salable hogs 3,000; total 10,000; market active, especially on weights under 200 lbs. these strong to mostly 25 higher; other weights and sows steady good and choice 200-300 lbs 12.75 to 13.00; 170-190 lbs 12.65 to 13.40; few 150-170 lbs 12.00 to 12.75; good and choice 310-350 lbs 13.15 to 13.35; good and choice 360-550 lbs 12.35 to 12.60; choice lighter weights to 12.75 estimated; hogs 2,000; salable calves 300; last market old year saw fairly active trade all killing classes; clearance good all classes steady, with see stock and weighty sausage bulls in especially broad demand, nothing choice here; best fed steers 15.40; several loads 12.50 to 15.00; best heifers 15.25; scattered lots 11.00 to 13.50; vutter cows 8.00 down with strong weights around 8.25; most best kind 8.75 to 11.00; strictly good kind 12.00 to 12.50; weighty sausage bulls to 12.25; and medium weight bulls around 11.00 to 11.50 being substituted because of scarcity of weighty offerings; vealers firm at 15.00 down; stock scarce, but very slow.

Salable sheep 1,500; total 3,000; load good to choice 92 lb fed woolled western lambs sold steady to shippers at 15.10; undedone weak on lambs lacking finish, few medium to good grade offerings 14.00 with common kind sorted off at 10.50; sheep very scarce; native slaughter ewes at 7.00 down.

Wall Street Close

(By The Associated Press)
(Noon quotations)
Am Smelt 37 1/2; A T & T 156 1/2; Anac 25; Bendix 34; Beth Stl 56 1/2; Borg 34 1/2; Chrysler 32; Curt Wr 57 1/2; C E 36 1/2; G M 52 1/2; Int Har 72; Johns Man 85; Mont Ward 45 1/2; N Y C 16; No Am AV 8 1/2; Phillips 46; Rep Stl 17 1/2; Sears 90 1/2; St Oil Ind 33; St Oil N J 54 1/2; Tex Corp 48 1/2; US Rub 43 1/2; US Stl 51 1/2.

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Air Cadet Robert Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Johnston spent a three-day leave over Christmas at home from his training at Buckley Field, Colo.

John McGee of the Seabees left Monday for Camp Perry, Va., after spending a furlough with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Neu and daughter Carol and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Comstock and daughter Janice of Chicago will be weekend guests of relatives here.

Mrs. Emma Otis of Chicago is spending the holidays here with her son and family Mr. and Mrs. George Otis and Arlene.

Mrs. Jack Aldrich and son Billy returned Wednesday to St. Joseph, Mo., after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Chambers.

Miss Julia Pieper had the misfortune to fall at her home Wednesday and sustained a broken hip and was taken to Warmolts clinic at Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chambers entertained at dinner Tuesday evening for their son, Staff Sgt. Clarence Chambers from Scott Field and their daughter and son Mrs. Jack Aldrich and Billy from St. Joseph, Mo. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin and Mrs. George Joeston from Oregon. Clarence returned to Scott Field Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swan and Mr. and Mrs. William Meinhold will spend the week end in Chicago.

Mrs. Mary Thompson entertained at dinner Wednesday, Mrs. Althea Curley and Miss Grace Weaver and Mrs. Tom Holman from Oregon.

Mrs. Edith Keedy entertained at dinner Wednesday for her sister, Mrs. Nancy Gaffin of Storm Lake, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Thomas, and Mrs. Marion Helland and son Brent, Mrs. Gaffin returned to her home Wednesday evening.

Woman's Club To Meet
The Mt. Morris Woman's club will hold its January meeting at the home of Mrs. Ira Moore on Monday, Jan. 3. A panel discussion on "Preparing for Peace" will be a feature of the program, with Messrs. Harold Hoff, Martin DeKoning and Ira Hendrickson participating. The usual board meeting is to be held at 7:00 o'clock preceding the regular business session.

—Buy one of those beautiful river-front lots at Assembly Park. Call No. 5 for particulars.

Maryland Mosquito

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dispose of these pests, including poison gas, but it was all to no avail. We did, however, kill a few by shooting .30 caliber rifle bullets at them. They were mean, those mosquitoes, and it made them mad to have to get out of the way of those bullets. So they'd snap at 'em as they went by, and before they could let go of that lead—it would jar off their heads".

Then there was a "quackie" entered by H. B. Clark, Jr., of New Orleans, that the judges liked. He wrote:

"I spent one hour and 50 minutes the other night trying to convince my mother-in-law that I was drunk".

Reds Split Routed

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amphibious leapfrog attack along the west coast of Italy. Fifth Army troops of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark seized the initiative from the Germans in that water-logged sector by carrying out a large-scale raid north of the Garigliano river. On the other side of the front bisecting Italy, Canadian troops drove from Ortona up the Adriatic coast toward Pescara. Eastern terminus of an important lateral highway leading to Rome. A communique said patrols were active along the entire Italian front.

Allied bombers again pounded Italian transportation facilities upon which the Germans rely to sustain their stubborn resistance in Italy. For the third straight day heavy bombers blasted the Adriatic port of Rimini in north-east Italy.

Supporting Marshal Tito's operations in Yugoslavia fighters and fighter-bombers expanded their sorties over the Dalmatian coast. Tito's communique today underscored the importance attached by the Germans to the Balkan front. The Partisan leader announced that the Germans were trying with all their strength to break guerrilla resistance in eastern Bosnia and have drawn up fresh forces and special landing troops in an attempt to seize islands along the Dalmatian coast held by the Partisans. The Yugoslav government in Cairo said, however, that Tito had suffered irreparable losses in recent weeks and that 14,000 guerrillas were cut off in the Dinara Alps.

Cape Gloucester is

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go and places in an ever-growing defensive role the sea-air fortress of Rabaul, 260 miles away on the northeastern end of New Britain.

Rabaul, now is being visited daily from the Solomons by American fighter planes. Today a spokesman from Adm. William F. Halsey, in announcing the downing of 26 out of 60 enemy interceptors there Tuesday, said 113 Japanese planes have been bagged at Rabaul since Dec. 23.

The enemy's crumbling position on Bougainville in the northern Solomons is adding swiftly to Rabaul's peril. Admiral Halsey's spokesman reported multiple actions on Bougainville, including paratroop seizure of a strong point near the American invasion beachhead on the west-central coast, the spreading of fires among Japanese installations by fighter planes dropping belly tanks of gasoline and a destroyer bombardment of an enemy west coast position.

More than 1,400 miles to the northeast in the Japanese-held Marshalls, Army and Navy bombers pushed their air offensive into the 21st straight day Tuesday despite increasing resistance. Attacks on Mabelep and Mili and air action near Kwajalein cost the Americans three big bombers but five Zeros were shot down for certain and 10 others probably were destroyed.

Training Courses at Sugar Grove and Nachusa Next Week

Organization meetings for two federal rural war production training courses will be held during the first week in January. On Monday evening, George F. Reed, agricultural instructor of the Dixon high school, will meet with interested farmers in the Sugar Grove school at 8 o'clock. On Wednesday evening a similar organization meeting will be held at the Nachusa school. All interested farmers are urged to attend these meetings and assist in drafting the schedule to consist of ten weekly meetings, the subject to be selected to be of interest to all who enroll. Rural war production courses were conducted last winter in the Cook and Sugar Grove school districts under a discussion plan and those who enrolled were enthusiastic over the educational value resulting.

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Horse Play

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—It was the night before New Year's Eve and Conductor George Hartung wasn't expecting any horse play by passengers on his street car. He was busy collecting fares when someone went "Ba".

Hartung glanced around and spotted the owner of the voice—a one-eyed, sorry looking, goat standing on the platform. The goat wanted to get inside the car where it was warm and he did—walking through the car much to the amazement of passengers, none of whom he attempted to molest. He went into the front platform. Backed into a corner and refused to move despite prodding by Hartung and the motorman.

So Hartung tied the goat to a rod and the car moved toward its destination. But it stopped at the nearest car barns where a group of workmen and policemen succeeded in removing the uno-paying fare.

The War Today

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started, and an estimate of the number of German troops left there would be strictly a guess.

At one time, the Germans had around 500,000 wounded soldiers in hospitals there, and huge numbers of combat troops. One guess is that, if the Red Army offensive carries below Berdichev through Zimereinka to the Bessarabian border, the Germans might lose as many as 20 divisions by that flanking envelopment, would be lucky to lose as few as 100,000 combat men. The size of the transportation problem involved in a withdrawal is indicated by the estimate that it would take 75 trains of 50 cars each a week to take out the wounded alone.

The nazi counterattacks in the Kiev region have been called a counteroffensive, and termed one of the worst tactical blunders the German high command has made in the course of the war. If they had been a counteroffensive aimed at recapture of Kiev, blunder would be the proper term. There has been repeated evidence, however, that they were limited counterattacks, aimed at keeping the railroads open through Kazatin-Berdichev-Korosten to facilitate the withdrawal from the Dnieper bend, and as such they made the best kind of tactical sense.

The blunder was in every trying to hold the Dnieper as a winter line, and Hitler and his generals are reported to have disagreed sharply over that. In recent weeks the generals have enlarged their control over military operations, and begun what they wanted to do in the first place—withdraw to the Riga-Odessa line.

But because the withdrawal was belated, and because the line of screening forces they left as a rearguard was not strong enough to prevent the mighty Red armies from smashing through, the Germans may have to check off a score irreplaceable combat divisions at a time when they are scraping the bottom of the manpower barrel, and facing another huge assault in western Europe.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cummings have moved to Libertyville, Ill., to make their home.

Pfc. Virginia Jane Lund has returned to her duties with the WACs at Camp Campbell, Ky., after spending a ten-day furlough at home.

Sgt. Lucius Thompson is home from Oklahoma for a 14-day visit. Mrs. William Snice has been confined to her home with influenza.

Corp. Robert Schick, who is stationed with the army air corps at Los Vegas, Nev., is home on a brief furlough for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman E. Schick.

Marion Sullivan of Chicago will spend the weekend here with her parents.

CURIOSITY KILLS DEER

Indianapolis—Because a wild white deer got curious about a war plant. Patients at the James Whitcomb Riley hospital for children will have a venison dinner New Year's Day.

The deer was found inside a wire fence at the Stewart-Warner Company. It had injured itself by trying to escape, and conservation officers were forced to kill it.

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Terse News

Files Divorce Petition—

Mrs. Margaret Loomis through her attorney William A. Keho of Amboy, has filed a divorce action in the Lee county Circuit court in which she charges Ralph Loomis with cruelty. In her complaint she seeks the custody of two minor children. The couple were married Aug. 5, 1936.

On Sunday Schedule—

Busses of the Dixon Transit Co. will operate on Sunday schedules tomorrow, New Year's Day, it was announced by the management this morning.

National Day of Prayer—

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—By proclamation, President Roosevelt formally set tomorrow as a national day of prayer for "strength and guidance for the problems of widening warfare and for the responsibilities of increasing victory."

For Wounded Servicemen—

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration announced today that wounded servicemen may get special gasoline rations for use in driving to and from their homes or other places of convalescence. The Army and Navy requested the action, stating that the use of an automobile might aid greatly in a serviceman's recovery.

Is Dangerously Ill—

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Ida M. Tarbell, dean of American woman authors, was reported critically ill with pneumonia today at the Bridgeport hospital. A hospital statement said the 86-year-old writer, whose books on Abraham Lincoln placed her in the forefront of American writers, was in "poor condition and on the danger list."

Calls Special Session—

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Governor Dwight H. Green today called a special session of the legislature to amend Illinois election and registration laws to facilitate voting by service men and women in the 1944 primary and general elections. Legislators were asked to convene next Friday, Jan. 7, at 1 p. m. Illinois election laws now allow 30 days for sending and receiving absentee ballots, a requirement some proponents of soldier vote legislation have contended would disqualify many service men overseas.

Bar Docket Issued—

The docket of cases to be heard at the January docket of the Illinois Division of Correction has been made public which contains names of several inmates of penal institutions from this locality. Donald Hugh Lillyroth of this city, is listed as one of the prisoners at the Pontiac penitentiary, whose name automatically appears on the January 1944 minimum docket. Several from Ogle county are docketed for hearings: Ferroll Davis of the Joliet division is to be granted a hearing on the question of violation of parole; John S. Kovak, Arthur Wakenight and Wayne Stevens of the Stateville division appear automatically on the January minimum docket; Alvin Weece is docketed from the Pontiac division for review and further consideration who by reason of good conduct has earned off "good time" for continuances given in previous years; Elmer Olson from the Menard division is docketed as one of the prisoners automatically appearing on the docket.

Hearing Is Continued—

Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 10 a. m., was the time set today by Judge George C. Dixon for a hearing before a jury to determine the present mental condition of Sylvester Brierton. In court this morning, Brierton continued to urge that he be represented by Attorney J. J. McCarthy of Chicago and the court-appointed counsel, Attorney Mark Keller, informed Judge Dixon that he had communicated with the Chicago attorney and had received no notice that he would appear in the case. Brierton addressed the court repeatedly this morning, asking that he be permitted to summons witnesses, former neighbors, and be permitted to consult with them at the county jail and to communicate with his attorney at any time he so desired. He also requested of the court to be permitted to choose counsel of his own selection, all of which requests were granted.

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Warning

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Don't celebrate New Year's by mixing alcohol and gasoline—even if you can get them—said the National Safety Council suggested today in its annual holiday safety campaign.

There may be less alcohol and gasoline requires coupons, the council said, but "the two still make a potent accident cocktail".

It suggests to holiday celebrants:

"If you drink, don't drive—or vice versa; if you ride with someone else, be sure the driver of the car is on the wagon; start in plenty of time, drive slowly, take it easy; make allowance for winter weather—if there is fog, snow or ice, drive with extra care."

"The drinking driver", the council said, "is 55 times more likely to have an accident than a sober one".

Judge Dixon ordered that Brierton be held in the Lee county jail until the date of the hearing.

Deaths

Suburban—

HOBBART BOSWORTH

Glendale, Calif., Dec. 31.—(AP)—In 1909 tall, soft-spoken Hobart Bosworth, supposed by his medical advisers to be incurably ill, came west to die.

He did, yesterday, at the age of 76, but he made good use of the 34 intervening years. He played a leading part in the first motion picture ever made in the Los Angeles area, and subsequently made nearly 600 others. He had been writer, director, producer, and was undisputed dean of the motion picture colony.

The white-haired Bosworth, who until the last maintained his erect bearing, and whose twinkling, humorous eyes still looked keenly out upon the world, succumbed to pneumonia after a brief illness. His son, George Hobart Bosworth, was at his hospital bedside; his wife, Cecile, was flying west from Washington, D. C.

MRS. MARTHA HARCK

Mrs. Martha Harck, 87, of Lee Center passed away suddenly at her home there this morning. Funeral arrangements and obituary will be published later.

Happy Birthday

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JANUARY 2

Alfred Lebre; Lucille Auchstetter, Sublette; Rita Mae Dempsey, Amboy; Audrey Simpson, Earlville.

JANUARY 3

M. W. Missman, 81; George N. Crawford; F. A. Hanson; Lois Heckman, route 3; Amanda Hippen, Palmyra; Rose Ann Blackburn, Harmon; Marie Larson, Lee.

FOR ARMY RELIEF

Hollywood, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A check for \$5,500, representing a portion of the royalties from his song, "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition", has been presented to Army Emergency Relief by song-writer Frank Loesser, now a private at the nearby Santa Ana Airbase.

APPARENT SUICIDE

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—J. A. Van Natta, 66, Springfield City Commissioner of Public Health and Safety from 1939 until last May, was found dead, a shotgun wound in his chest, late yesterday at his home here. A shotgun lay nearby. No date has been set for an inquest.

HOLD DOUBLE INQUEST

Taylorville, Ill., Dec. 31.—(AP)—A coroner's jury late yesterday attributed the death of George Kitrush, 85, to a heart attack, and that of Pearl Pleninitis, 64, his stepdaughter, to shock and exposure. The bodies were found Wednesday in their home near Bulpitt.

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IN SCOTLAND, France and Italy gifts are presented on the first of the year instead of at Christmas time. In Scotland there is the added custom of "first-footing" a friend's house, that is, to be the first visitor of the New Year. United States Indian tribes have many different customs to mark the coming of the new season—some of them burn old clothes and almost all of them have ceremonies and tribal dances.

THE old joke about taking a bath once a year at New Year's time is not exactly a joke in the land of Iran—for many of the old Persian fathers who made a point of neither bathing or shaving during the year always did so on New Year's day—more modern customs and sanitation is changing that however.

AND so on around the world sometimes on Jan. 1 and sometimes at the spring equinox there will be celebrating from the wildest that Times Square can produce to the most devoted of religious services of consecration—but to all it will be a time of new thoughts and new hopes from a coming year.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

America is

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output of enemies and allies put together.

December production is estimated at 9,000 planes, more than the Army air forces possessed at the time of Pearl Harbor. In all 1943, well over 85,000 planes were built; since Pearl Harbor 133,000; since the start of the defense effort, about 155,000.

Among the lesser programs, these will hold top urgency: Landing craft, radar and military trucks.

If cutbacks come in the predicted severity, WPB foresees that even while total production is pushing up, some elements will be going down. Some plants will stand idle, some communities suffer pay roll declines.

But the cutbacks will be cautious. Production planners emphasize that no weapon or equipment item will be cut unless reserve supplies are ample for any possible emergency, and unless plant capacity stands ready for quick resumption if needed.

Also, the beginnings of restored civilian production will take up some slack.

The WPB's Office of Civilian requirements hopes to make two million electric irons next year and 900,000 washing machines.

But in dubbing the new production era the "next-to-last" stage of the production effort, officials warn that this lap may be the longest one.

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RUSSIAN VICTORY

Chronology of the Year 1943

IN THE WAR

January

- 1—Russians recapture Veliky Luki, railroad center.
- 4—U. S. Department of War information announces 61,126 service casualties to date.
- 12—U. S. planes based in Africa bomb Naples, Italy.
- 19—British only 40 miles from Tripoli.
- 23—British enter Tripoli, Libyan capital.
- 25—Voronezh, big Nazi stronghold, falls to Russians.
- 26—"Unconditional Surrender" agreement of Casablanca announced.

February

- 2—Last German troops surrender in Stalingrad; U. S. Naval forces repel major Japanese attacks in Solomons area.
- 6—Allied headquarters establish separate U. S. command for North Africa.
- 9—Last Japs withdraw from Guadalcanal.
- 14—Rostov and Voroshilovgrad captured by Russians.
- 15—Russians take Kharkov, important base.
- 16—Cruiser Chicago is sunk by Japs; U. S. Navy reports 15 Jap ships hit.
- 26—U. S. flyers raid Kiska in Aleutians.

March

- 3—Rzhev retaken by Russians.
- 4—Allied bombers destroy Jap convoy of 22 ships.
- 11—British attack Mareth line in Tunisia.
- 17—American forces take Gafsa in Tunisia.
- 20—Chinese check Jap drive in Hupeh-Hunan region.
- 24—Advancing Russians retake Abinsk and other towns near Smolensk.
- 26—U. S. and British troops advance in Tunisia.
- 31—British take Matoula and two other cities in Tunisia.

April

- 1—Fortresses raid Cagliari, Sardinia; Chinese drive Japs back into Burma.
- 4—Chinese retake Chuchuan.
- 5—Allies bomb Naples, Kiel, Antwerp, Brest.
- 17—Bremen and other north German cities bombed in "biggest raid."
- 20—Russians attack on Kuban front.
- 21—Japanese execute U. S. fliers.
- 23—U. S. Naval forces occupy Funafuti islands, southwest Pacific.

May

- 7—Bizerte falls to Americans; British first army takes Tunis.
- 14—All resistance ends in North Africa.
- 19—U. S. bombers raid Pantelleria, Italian island fortress.
- 23—Guerrilla warfare spreads in Balkans.
- 30—Japs admit loss of Attu.
- 31—French Alexandria fleet joins Allies.

June

- 9—Curtin says invasion danger past in Australia.
- 11—Pantelleria, Italian island fortress, surrenders.
- 12—Lampedusa, fortified Italian island, capitulates.
- 13—Chinese recapture Sungtze port city.
- 14—Chinese claim Japs use gas.
- 17—RAF bombs Cologne.
- 30—U. S. forces land on Rendova, in Solomons.

July

- 1—Rendova taken by U. S. forces.
- 9—Russians launch offensive on 160 mile front; U. S. Navy battles Japs off Solomons.
- 12—British capture Syracuse.
- 23—U. S. troops enter Palermo.
- 24—Americans take Marsala, Trapani.
- 26—MUSOLINI RESIGNS, KING EMMANUEL ASSUMES GOVERNMENT.
- 27—Italian peace negotiations begin.
- 28—Fascist party dissolved.

August

- 1—U. S. planes bomb Ploesti refineries.
- 3—Russians take Orel; British capture Catania, in Sicily.
- 6—Americans occupy Munda, in Solomons.
- 17—Russians drive into Ukraine.
- 17—Allies enter Messina; island of Vela Lavella in Solomons taken.
- 18—Resistance ends on Sicily.
- 21—U. S. and Canadian troops occupy Kiska.
- 24—Quebec conference on war plans ends.
- 25—British Admiral Mountbatten made chief of Allied Southwest Asia command.
- 30—Russians retake Taganrog, Nazi anchor.

September

- 1—Japs withdraw air base from New Guinea.
- 2—Allied forces invade mainland of Italy near Reggio Calabria.
- 7—Allies enter Palermo, Dellanava.
- 8—ITALY SURRENDERS UNCONDITIONALLY; Stalin fails to Russians.
- 9—British troops take Taranto; Greatest Allied raid in history blasts Berlin.
- 10—Germans seize Rome.
- 11—Allies take Salerno, Italian fleet surrenders.
- 14—Salamaia falls to U. S. and Australian forces.
- 16—Novorossiysk recaptured by Russians.
- 24—Nazi troops evacuate Corsica.
- 28—British take Foggia.

October

- 1—Allied forces take Naples, 22 days after landing at Salerno.
- 3—Australian troops capture Jap base at Finschhafen, New Guinea.
- 5—Island of Corsica, in Mediterranean, is freed of Nazis.
- 13—Italy formally declares war on Germany, by action of Premier Marshal Badoglio.
- 14—In great raid on Schweinfurt, Germany, important ball-bearing factories are destroyed, at a cost of 60 Flying Fortresses.
- 23—Melltopol, key city of German defense in south Ukraine, falls to Russians.
- 25—Russian troops recapture Dnepropetrovsk, important industrial city.
- 26—U. S. and New Zealand troops land on Treasury Islands, in Northern Solomons.

November

- 2—U. S. Marines invade Bougainville island in northern Solomons.
- 4—RAF planes drop more than 2,000 tons of bombs on Dusseldorf, Germany.
- 6—Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, retaken by Russians.
- 7—British Eighth army advances in Italy, taking eight towns.
- 11—Nazi scuttles ships, blast installations to block harbors of Lechorn and Pescara.
- 13—Russians capture Zhitomir, important rail center of southern front; Chinese forces report gains along Yangtze river.
- 19—Great raid in history blasts Berlin, dropping 2,500 tons.
- 23—Another huge air attack smashes Berlin.
- 24—Makin island, member of Gilbert group, is taken by U. S. combined forces.
- 25—One-fourth of city said to be razed.
- 27—Marines take Tarawa, one of Gilbert islands, after "toughest fighting" in their history.
- 30—British Eighth army bursts through Nazi lines in Italy, approaching Rome.

THE YEAR'S TEN BIGGEST EVENTS

Selected by: BAUKHAGE (WNU Washington Correspondent)

I—MILITARY:

- (a) Russian summer-fall offensive.
- (b) Pacific offensive (Attu, New Guinea, Solomons, Gilberts).
- (c) Italy surrenders.
- (d) Air offensive against German cities.

II—DIPLOMATIC:

- (a) The four-power conferences (Moscow-Cairo-Teheran).
- (b) Formation of the UNRRA.

III—DOMESTIC:

- (a) Passage of the Connally Resolution.
- (b) Administration moves to right (OPA, Food Administration, War Mobilization, Stabilization, Economic Warfare).

- (c) Republican political gains.
- (d) Congress revolts against anti-inflation program (subsidies, reduced tax bill, resolution favoring railroad wage increase).

December

- 1—RAF and U. S. bombers continue massive raids, hitting Dusseldorf region.
- 2—President Roosevelt meets with Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek in Cairo, Egypt. Agree to "strip Japan of her stolen empire."
- 6—Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin meet at Tehran, Iran, reach "complete agreement on measures to crush Germany."
- 7—U. S. naval task force raids Marshall Islands.
- 9—Chinese admit loss of Changteh, important city in "rice bowl."
- 10—Turkey promises Allies all "aid short of war"; Chinese recapture Changteh.
- 13—Russian troops regain initiative in Kiev area; British Eighth army cracks Nazi line in Italy, capturing 6,000.
- 14—President Roosevelt, returning from conferences, visits Malta and Sicily.
- 15—American planes raid Greece; U. S. heavy bombers smash Jap base on New Britain.
- 16—Prime Minister Churchill stricken by pneumonia; German bombers sink 17 United Nations merchant ships.
- 17—American Sixth army lands at Arava, on New Britain island, southwest Pacific.

DOMESTIC

January

- 1—President Roosevelt calls for unity among Allies, stresses "the supreme necessity of planning what is to come after the war."
- 6—78th Congress convenes; Samuel Rayburn speaker of house for third term; Pleasure driving banned in 48 eastern states; Fuel oil ration reduced 25 per cent.
- 11—U. S. and Britain relinquish extraterritorial rights in China.
- 12—OPA sets corn ceilings at approximately \$1 a bushel.
- 28—Joint draft law, by which men can be inducted into navy, marines and coast guard as well as army, announced.

February

- 8—National income in 1942 was \$113,824,000,000 as compared with \$94,500,000,000 in 1941.
- 9—Roosevelt orders 48-hour work week minimum in labor shortage areas.
- 10—Dried foods rationed, effective March 1.
- 23—Secretary of Agriculture Wickard suspends wheat quotas.
- March
- 1—U. S. and Chile representatives sign lend-lease agreement.
- 2—Draft classification "4F" for men between 38 and 45 ended.
- 11—Lend-lease extension to July, 1944, signed by President.
- 24—Establishment of naval base at Casablanca announced by navy.
- 25—Chester Davis named food chief.
- 29—"A critical shortage of doctors is developing," an OWI survey reveals.

April

- 8—President moves to check inflation by executive order freezing wages and forbidding war workers to change jobs.
- 10—Food corn ceiling prices raised from \$1.02 a bushel to \$1.07.
- 11—A bill permitting the national debt limit to rise to 20 billion dollars, and a rider repealing the \$25,000 net salary limit becomes law without President's signature.
- 20—President Roosevelt confers on war and postwar problems with President Camacho of Mexico.
- 30—Soft coal miners of United Mine Workers threaten to strike; President orders; U. S. breaks relations with Martinique.

May

- 1—Federal government takes over closed coal mines.
- 11—China arrives in Washington for war conference.
- 13—Merger between Western Union and Postal Telegraph is announced.
- 26—NLRB approves eight-hour work day for more than a million non-hourly railway workers.
- 27—Machinists' union, with 555,000 members, withdraws from the AFL.

June

- 3—United Nations food conference ends.
- 7—Coal miners of the United Mine Workers union return to work.
- 10—President signs "pay-as-you-go" income tax bill.
- 21—Riots in Detroit between white and colored mobs are suppressed by Federal troops, after more than 24 hours of disorder; Two-hundred and 700 injured; Coal miners strike for third time since May 1.
- 28—Judge Marvin Junes succeeds Chester Davis as War Food Administrator.
- 29—Federal court of appeals in Chicago grants new trials to six persons convicted of aiding Herbert Haupt, executed spy.
- 30—Five senators appointed to visit war zones and report on U. S. Army and Allies; Stocks on New York exchange reach a three-year high.

July

- 1—House rejects amendment to Labor-Federal Security bill, thereby cutting off funds for National Youth Administration; President Roosevelt gives last minute reprieve to Max Baucus, sentenced to death for aiding escape of a Nazi flyer.
- 7—Gen. Henri Giraud, French commander of Northwest Africa, arrives in Washington.
- 13—The Board of Economic Warfare is abolished, and its functions transferred to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation; Chester Bowles is named general manager of the Office of Price Administration.
- 19—"World's largest pipeline, the 'Big Inch,' running from Longview, Texas, to Phoenixville, Pa., is opened.
- 21—John Lewis, as president of United Mine Workers, signs two-year contract with Illinois Coal Operators Association; War Department reveals 65,058 prisoners of war in country.

August

- 2—Race riot sweeps New York, resulting in death of five Negroes, and injuries to 500; Drafting of pre-Pearl Harbor fathers set to begin on October 1.
- 6—June personal incomes totaled \$12,162,000,000, a new record.
- 7—Automobile production reaches record 7,373 units.
- 13—Gasoline ration in Midwest and Southwest reduced from four to three gallons per coupon.
- 14—The War Manpower Commission establishes new list of 149 critical occupations for first priority in draft deferments.
- 19—The army must be raised to 8,200,000 men by January 1, 1944, and the navy to 2,363,000, the War Manpower Board announces.
- 23—The Guffey Coal Act, passed in 1937, to stabilize coal prices, expires. No move made to renew it.

September

- 2—The exchange ship Gripsholm sails with 1,310 Japanese, to be exchanged for 1,310 Americans at Goa, Portuguese India; Churchill and Roosevelt confer in Washington.
- 4—William Jeffers, director of the nation's labor program, resigns.
- 7—Republican Postwar Advisory Council meets at Mackinac Island, Mich.
- 8—Drive for 15 billion dollar third war loan opened by presidential address.
- 14—Col. William Coleman is convicted by a military court for drunkenness and carelessness of firearms, demoted to captaincy.
- 17—President Roosevelt reports to Congress Quebec conference.
- 23—Strike ration stamp becoming valid November 1 must last six months.
- 25—Edward Stettinius Jr. moves from lend-lease administrator to succeed Sumner Wells as undersecretary of state.
- 29—Senators report on war tour.

October

- 4—Treasury asks for ten and a half billion in new war taxes.
- 7—Merger of Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies is completed.
- 12—The shipyard of the nation's labor unions have a moral responsibility not to strike in wartime.
- 13—American Federation of Labor votes to take United Mine Workers back into fold.
- 16—Third war loan passes goal of 15 billion dollars by nearly four millions.
- 20—The 48-hour week for war industries is extended to 30 more localities.
- 22—Zinc-steel pennies are to be discontinued.
- 23—Wildcat coal strikes referred to President by War Labor Board.

November

- 1—Federal government seizes 3,000 coal mines in which strikes are halting production.
- 2—Elections of various state and national officials reveal Republican trend.
- 3—United Mine Workers ordered to return to work as President John Lewis accepts new wage agreement, giving miners \$56.74 for 48-hour week.
- 4—Senate votes postwar collaboration with other nations, 45 to 5.
- 15—Fifteen non-operating railroad unions reject wage increase offered by emergency committee; Bernard Baruch is postwar chief of new unit of the Office of War Mobilization.
- 19—Army officials reduce budget by 13 billion dollars, which sum will revert to treasury.
- 23—A subsidy of 100 million dollars is allocated to stabilize price of flour.
- 23—House votes against extension of consumer subsidies.

December

- 1—Ration values of meats reduced 30 per cent.
- 3—U. S. plane output for November announced as 7,789.
- 4—Army will retire 25,000 officers, reducing total to 625,000.
- 7—Biggest U. S. battleship, the 45,000-ton Wisconsin, is launched.
- 10—Shipyard labor workers get senate approval for eight cent per hour raise.
- 11—Senate military committee plans graduated discharge pay for servicemen, ranging from \$200 to \$500.
- 16—President Roosevelt returns to capital; senate committee votes to retain food subsidies for 60 days.
- 17—OPA promises lowering of meat ration points.

SPORTS

January

- 1—New Year's Day football results: Rose Bowl—Georgia 9, U. C. L. A. 0; Sugar Bowl—Tennessee 14, Tulsa 7; Orange Bowl—Alabama 37, Boston College 21; Cotton Bowl—Texas 14, Georgia Tech 7; Sun Bowl—Second Air Force 13, Hardin-Simmons 7; Kazar Stadium—East All-Stars 13, West All-Stars 12.
- 17—Ted Williams, formerly of Boston Red Sox, named "player of the year."

February

- 20—William Cox, New York sportsman, purchases Philadelphia Phillies for about \$230,000 from National League.
- 24—Bucky Harris signs to manage Philadelphia ball club.

March

- 13—Greg Rice runs fastest 2 miles at K. of C. meet, in 8:52.7.
- 17—Philadelphia team wins the Golden Gloves championship in New York.
- 18—Detroit wins national hockey league title.
- 20—Cornelius Warmerdam sets new pole vault record of 15 feet, 8 1/2 inches.

April

- 8—Detroit Red Wings defeat the Boston Bruins, 2-0 to capture the Stanley Cup.

May

- 1—Count Fleet wins Kentucky Derby, in 1:59.4.
- 8—Count Fleet wins Preakness, in 1:57.2.
- 21—Bob Montgomery outpouts Beau Jack to gain lightweight title.

June

- 20—Gunder Hagg outruns Greg Rice to win 5,000 meter race.
- 26—Francisco Segura wins Nat'l Collegiate tennis title, defeating Tom Brown Jr.
- 28—Shirleyway, 5 year old race horse, retired.

July

- 2—Patty Berg defeats Dorothy Kirby for Women's Western Open Golf Championship.
- 10—Gunder Hagg establishes 8:53.9 American record for 2 miles.
- 13—American League team wins annual All-Star game, 3 to 2.
- 26—Harold McSpaden defeats Buck Whitney by 1 stroke to win All-American golf title; Patty Berg takes women's title.

August

- 8—Ryder Cup golf team, captained by Craig Wood, defeats Walter Hagen's team.
- 9—Howard Schenken wins the contract bridge master's championship for fifth time.
- 25—Redskins All-Stars defeat the Washington Redskins, professional football champions, 27-7.

September

- 6—Lieut. Joseph Hunt takes the national amateur tennis championship.
- 18—The St. Louis Cardinals defeat the Chicago Cubs, 2-1, clinching the National league pennant.
- 19—Detroit Lions beat the Chicago Cardinals in professional football opener.
- 25—The New York Yankees take the American League pennant for the 14th time.

October

- 3—Final baseball standings: St. Louis Cardinals, won 105, lost 49, for a percentage of .682. The New York Yankees, won 98, lost 56, for a percentage of .636.
- 8—Columbus, O., American Association team, defeats the Syracuse, N. Y., International league team, to capture "title world series" title.
- 10—Yankees win World Series, defeating Cardinals, four games to one.
- November
- 2—Stanley Mustel, St. Louis Cardinal outfielder, named most valuable player in National Series.
- 9—Spurgeon Chandler, New York Yankees pitcher, chosen most valuable in American League.
- 14—U. of Southern California and the U. of Washington chosen for Rose Bowl.
- 19—Beau Jack regains lightweight title, outpointing Bob Montgomery.
- 27—Great Lakes defeats Notre Dame (19-14) in year's biggest football upset.

December

- 13—Chicago Bears win western pro football championship.
- 13—Ned Day regains title as All-Star National Bowling champion.

DISASTERS

January

- 6—Fire kills six and injures 100 in Chicago bowling alley.

- 21—Thirty-five Americans die when a transport plane crashes in the jungle near Surinam, Dutch Guiana.
- 31—Twenty-eight persons die in sanitarium fire in Seattle.

February

- 11—Eighteen lives lost when a Liberator bomber crashes in Newfoundland.
- 18—Twenty-eight die when four engine bomber crashes aflame into a packing plant in Seattle, Wash.
- 22—Yankee Clipper crashes and sinks in Tagus river, Lisbon, Portugal.

March

- 1—Nineteen bodies recovered in coal mine disaster at Bear Creek, Mont.
- 21—Flood waters spread over a wide area in Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana. About 2,500 persons removed by Red Cross.

April

- 13—Onahia airport and village of Carter Lake, Iowa, flooded when Missouri river dikes break.
- 19—Seven Sea Scouts drowned, and three missing, when cabin cruiser founders off Long Island.
- 24—Blazing munitions ship in New York harbor towed out and sunk.

May

- 4—Explosion and fire in munitions plant at Elkton, Md., kills 13 and injures 60.
- 15—A tornado injures about 200 men, and destroys 41 buildings valued at \$175,000 at Fort Riley, Kan.
- 21—Spreading floods in Mississippi valley take twelve lives, and leave 108,000 homeless.
- 23—A Pennsylvania R. R. express train jumps the track near Delair, N. J., killing 14 and injuring 80 persons.
- 31—Deaths from all causes over Memorial day week-end holiday total 154.

June

- 6—Navy reports 84 men killed when a ammunition ship collides with tanker off Port Arthur, Tex.

July

- 22—Maj. Gen. William Upshur, Capt. Charles Faddock, both U. S. M. C. officers, and four other persons are killed in Navy plane crash near Sitka, Alaska.
- 27—Three soldiers who became lost in desert maneuvers near Yuma, Ariz., die of thirst.
- 28—Hurricane sweeping over Texas Gulf coast kills 15 persons. Damage estimated at 10 million dollars.

August

- 1—Ten persons, including Mayor William Baker and Maj. William Robertson, die when Army glider crashes in demonstration flight in St. Louis.
- 2—Five Negroes killed, more than 500 white and colored injured in race rioting in New York city's Harlem district.
- 5—Fourteen persons are drowned in a "flood" food in central West Virginia.
- 28—Twenty-one men are killed in gas explosion at Sayreton, Ala.
- 30—Twenty-nine persons are killed and 130 injured in wreck of crack Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R. near Wayland, N. Y.

September

- 6—Eighty persons killed and 177 injured, when Congressional Limited of the Pennsylvania R. R. is derailed near Philadelphia.
- 7—Twentieth Century Limited train of New York Central R. R. is derailed near Canastota, N. Y., killing three; Houston, Tex., hotel fire takes lives of 50 men.
- 17—Explosion of depth charges at the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va., takes 25 lives. About 250 are injured.
- 20—Twenty-five soldiers die when Army transport plane crashes near Maxton, N. C.

October

- 16—Crash of airliner 47 miles west of Nashville, Tenn., takes 10 lives.
- 23—Navy announces that 88 seamen died when two tankers collided off Palm Beach.

November

- 23—Six children die in farm home fire near Chicago.

December

- 13—Twenty marines killed, 29 injured in Hawaii when collision of navy planes releases bomb.
- 16—Sixty-nine killed, 50 injured in collision of two fast trains near Buie, N. C. Forty-eight of the dead were servicemen.

DEATHS

January

- 6—Famed Negro scientist, Dr. George Washington Carver, 78.
- 6—President emeritus of Harvard U., Dr. Abbott L. Lowell, 86.
- 10—"Message to Garcia" hero, Col. Andrew S. Rowan, 85.
- 23—Alexander Woolcott, 56, "The Town Crier" of radio, author, critic, playwright, actor.

February

- 7—Dr. Attilio H. Giannini, 68, physician, banker, motion picture executive, civic leader.
- 19—Lynn Overman, 55, comedian.

March

- 10—Poet and author Stephen Vincent Benet, 44, Pulitzer prize winner with "John Brown's Body."
- 30—Former governor of Illinois, Frank O. Lowden, 82.
- 28—James A. Farrell, 80, president of the United States Steel corp.

April

- 22—Luren D. Dickinson, 84, former governor of Michigan, foe of "high life."
- 28—Maj. Gen. Robert Olds, 46, commander of the U. S. Second Army Air Force.

May

- 11—Maj. Gen. Stephen O. Fuqua, 68, chief of infantry in U. S. Army, 1928-32.
- 20—Adm. Henry A. Wiley, 76, Pacific fleet commander, 1927-29.
- 26—Edsel B. Ford, 49, president of Ford Motor Co.

June

- 4—Maj. Kermit Roosevelt, 53, son of the former President, on active duty in Alaska.
- 16—Dr. Albert Bushnell Hart, noted historian and Harvard U. professor, at 88.
- 23—Rear Adm. Neil E. Nichols, 63, former commander of Boston Navy Yard.

July

- 14—Actress Beverly Sittgreaves, 76.
- 27—Rev. Ernest Lynn Waldorf, 67, bishop of the Methodist church, Chicago area.

August

- 1—President of China, Lin Sen, 79, scholar and artist.
- 15—Lieut. Gen. William M. Wright, 79, commander of two divisions in World War I.
- 21—Dr. William Lyon Phelps, 78, of Yale university.

September

- 6—Former ambassador to Poland, John C. Cudahy, 55.
- 9—Rear Adm. Walton Sexton, 66, former chairman of the Navy General Board.
- 21—British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood, 62.

October

- 6—Patrick Nash, 80, political leader of Democrats in Cook County, Ill., which includes Chicago.
- 11—Samuel H. Church, 85, president, Carnegie Institute.
- 20—Ben Bernie, 52, band leader.

November

- 9—Dr. Jesse G. Bullock, developer of pneumonia serum, at 64.
- 21—Rep. J. W. O. Her (R.-Penn.).
- 22—Rep. H. B. Steagall (D.-Ala.).

December

- 13—Marvin McIntyre, 65, for 20 years secretary to President Roosevelt, at Washington.
- 16—E. C. "Billy" Hayes, 59, well-known track coach of Indiana U.; the Rev. Dr. William A. Brown, 77, Presbyterian minister, one of founders of World Council of Churches.

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Football Bows Out of Sports Picture Saturday Afternoon

Bowl Games Will Hold Interest of Fans on New Year's Day

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 31—(AP)—Shorn of its customary drawing power by travel restrictions, voluntary gasoline quota limitations and several days of rainy weather, tomorrow's Rose Bowl football game between Washington and Southern California may not attract more than 65,000 spectators. Rain or shine, there will be no crowd approaching the 93,000, a new high, that set a record for receipts last Jan. 1, when fireball Frankie Sinkwich led Georgia to victory over UCLA.

This time the contest has been divested of its intercollegiate color. The stake is the Pacific Coast Conference championship.

Washington seemingly is a powerhouse club, capable of thoroughly testing Southern California's rugged line. The Trojans are a 2½ to 1 underdog, erratic, given to fumbling, but dangerous in the air.

Miami, Fla., Dec. 31—(AP)—Coaches and players agreed that the Orange Bowl football game tomorrow will be a spectacle of high scoring and action, but favored Texas A. & M. slipped and Louisiana State University gained in the betting odds.

The differing response of two injured stars caused the shift.

The Aggie's Marion Flannagan, key man in the Texas backfield, twisted his ankle yesterday and Coach Homer Norton said he would not be able to play.

Mighty Steve Van Buren, LSU's line-cracking back who watched the last two games of the regular season from the bench, romped in practice as if his ankle had never been hurt.

Both teams prepared for a final workout today as the weatherman played no favorites. It has never rained for an Orange Bowl game and the prediction was more of the same.

New Orleans, Dec. 31—(AP)—A new forward passing record of some sort is in prospect for the Sugar Bowl Saturday when George Tech's Eddie Prokop and Claude Lefore of Tulsa turn on their aerial wizardry before an expected audience of 73,000.

Given a break in the weather, Lefore and Prokop will be shooting at the record of 9 successive completions registered by Glenn Dobbs against Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl last January 1.

Coach Henry Frkka is high on Lefore's forward passing ability—and makes no secret of it. In seven games during 1943, Lefore completed 43 of 90 passes for 557 yards and threw for 8 touchdowns. Figures aren't available on Prokop's passing but strong-armed Eddie pitched his team to one sided wins over Louisiana State, Tulane, Clemson and Georgia, and had good averages against Notre Dame, Navy and Duke.

Dallas, Dec. 31—(AP)—Lt. Frank Trilico, coach of the Randolph Field Ramblers, isn't at all upset because the Texas Longhorns have been picked to down his team in the Cotton Bowl Saturday.

"I think we have a darn good chance to win," he said today. "And we're not underrating the Longhorns. They have a team as tricky as any I ever saw."

Randolph's squad of 35 arrived yesterday in time for a workout. Texas is due today.

San Francisco, Dec. 31—(AP)—The East team's chances in tomorrow's football battle against the West looked brighter today after West coaches reported the loss of two men.

Floyd Rhea, 216-pound left guard from the University of Oregon, was withdrawn from the West roster yesterday after it was learned he had played two games of professional football with the Chicago Cardinals last season.

George Bettridge, University of Utah fullback, has been lost because of illness.

But the East had its bad news, too. Bill Baughman, 195-pound center from the University of Iowa, probably will be unable to play because of a recurrence of a knee injury.

The West remains a 2-1 favorite.

Hockey Schedule

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Montreal 8; Detroit 3.
Tonight's Games
American League
Cleveland at Indianapolis.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

(By The Associated Press)
Fall River, Mass.—Whitey Shaw, 143, Taunton, Mass., outpointed Oscar Suggs, 145, Newport, R. I. (8).

Philadelphia—Nick Fiorentino, 210, Philadelphia, outpointed Eddie Wilson, 200, Philadelphia (8).

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Bowling

DIXON RECREATION LADIES' AFTERNOON LEAGUE

	W	L
Giants	17	4
Cardinals	16	5
Tigers	8	13
Yanks	1	20

Individual Records

High ind. game—L. Paulsen

High ind. series—C. Barlow

Team Records

High team game—Cardinals, 906

High team series—Tigers

Giants

Schwank

Williams

Steen

Hill

Peterson

Total

Tigers

Krug

Wells

Kelley

Worton (ave)

Knox

Total

Yankees

Becker (ave)

James

Sitter

Nelson

Seible

Total

Cardinals

Paulsen

Barlow

Erzinger

Hoelscher

Total

LINCOLN LANES MAJOR LEAGUE

Controlers

Warner's

Militia

Ordinance

Rinkydinks

Hickman

Hu Duers

Lenox

Team high 3 games—

Ordinance

Individual high 3 games—

C. Emmert

Individual high single game—

Benedict

Ordinance

Kobak

Green

Bauer

Pontone

Benedict

Total

Heckman's

Heckman

Haber

Worley

Whitting

Baugh

Total

Warners Garage

Schrieber

Dolemb

Madden

Henry

Jahnke

Total

Militia

Bouma

Buckhardt

Erzinger

Holbrook

Edson

Total

Hu Duers

Fisher

Mercer

Shaulis

Zimmerman

Schafer

Total

Rinky Dinks

Campbell

Whitebread

Zimmerman

Bowers

Weigle

Total

Lenox Transfer

Eich

Schulte

Lenox

Wolfgram

Heffrich

Total

College

Kentucky 44; St. John's (Brooklyn) 38.

DePaul 59; Long Island U 38.

Midwest

Kansas 34; Missouri 27.

Washington 33; Kansas State 28.

Oklahoma A & M 44; Texas Tech 24.

Hamline 55; Eau Claire Teachers 23.

Ohio Wesleyan 61; Ft. Hayes 47.

Phillips Oilers 66; Texas Christian 26.

Wichita, Kan. Boeing Bombers 48; Valparaiso 26.

Southwest

Baylor 45; Oklahoma Field 32.

South

Norfolk Naval Training Station 65; William & Mary 35.

Far West

Washington 43; Whitman 41—(overtime).

Southern California 41; Cal. Tech 36.

Roosevelt Navy Base 43; U. C. L. A. 42.

STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Shabbona 21; Riverside 25.

Kankakee 38; St. Charles 29.

Joliet 37; Belvidere 26.

Sycamore 33; DeKalb 22.

Mooseheart Tournament

Marmion 33; Mooseheart 25—(final).

Eastavia 36; West Chicago 35—(third place).

Geneseo Tournament (Quarter Finals)

Orion 47; Cambridge 25.

Geneseo 45; Bradford 28.

Alpharetta 42; Prophetstown 28.

Pecatonica Tournament (Finals)

(Class A) Pecatonica 38; Durand 26.

(Class B) Leaf River 27; Durand 17.

Non-Tournament

Elgin 38; East Rockford 21.

Collinsville 23; Staunton 20.

Streator 42; Lindbloom (Chicago) 22.

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Bowling Bits

By "FRIDAY"

In the Ladies' Afternoon league at the Recreation yesterday the Giants continued to hang on to their lead of one game by taking the Tigers three games, now having 17 wins and 4 losses. Peterson was high for the Giants with 401 and Wells rolled 375 to lead the Tigers with 375.

The Cardinals remained one tilt behind the Giants with 16-5 by winning three from the Yankees. Barlow was high for the Cards with 468 and Seible led the Yankees with 437.

C. Barlow rolled the high series of the afternoon with 468, a new individual high series record and Lorraine Paulsen rolled the high game, 182, also a new record for high game. Other high games were James, 150; Joynt, 155; Barlow, 156-172, and Peterson, 164.

The Recreation alleys will be closed tonight after 6:30, according to word from Ken Detweiler. Some of the pinboys desired to have the night off so Ken decided to let all of them have the chance to watch 1943 disappear in the distant. The alleys will be open tomorrow all day for open bowling.

We heard some loud arguing on alley eight last night at the Recreation that went something like this, from Lyle Melvin. "Who asked her to get in any way. I'm sure I didn't." Then Walt Klein said "Well, don't look at me, I never invited her." Wondering what it was all about we walked over and noticed that Helen Klein had three strikes in a row and was a bit ahead of these two maestros. The final score was Melvin, 173; Walt Klein, 142; Helen Klein, 179. This can be verified by Eddie Hill, who with that sly grin of his, was keeping score for the trio, and enjoying it very much.

In a match game at Oregon last night, a local team took on Starbucks of that city and took it on the chin by 217 pins, 745 to 2528. This is the first of a series of three games, the next of which will be rolled at the Recreation. Frank Cleary was high for Starbucks with 559, and Lyle Fordham had 545 to top the Dixon five. Neil, of Oregon had 235 for high game, and Frank Cleary had the only other 200 with 203 in his first game. None of the Dixon bowlers were able to break in to the double century mark. The scores follow:

Starbucks
Young 177 190 190 557
Lorenz 149 195 199 543
Cleary 203 168 188 559
Neil 144 235 149 528
Lamm 190 174 194 558

Dixon
Becker 169 157 188 514
Myers 151 167 164 482
Fordham 173 183 189 545
Lange 142 159 181 482
Wolfe 167 181 157 505

Totals 863 962 920 2745

We noticed Amanda Smith at the Recreation last night, dragging around that turkey she won last week for her high game. A fine free feed to start the New Year.

In the Men's league at Lincoln Lanes, Controllers managed to hang on to a two game lead although they lost all three of their games to Ordinance. Benedict was high for the latter with 557 and Pahnke led Controllers with 524.

Warner's went into second by winning two from Heckman's, now having 26-16, two games behind the leaders. Haber was high for Heckman's with 442 and C. Emmert rolled 524 for Warners.

Militia holds third, two games back of Warners after taking two from Hu Duers. Holbrook was high for Militia with 515 and Fisher led the Hu Duers with 517.

Rinky Dinks took three from Lenox Transfer with Bowers having 503 for the Rinky Dinks and Schulte rolling 423 for Lenox.

Three records went by the boards last night due to Benedict of the Ordinance Dept. turning in a 267 game. It helped his team to a 1139 team game and a 3064 team series, both new records. Benedict started out with six strikes and ended up with four for his 267. He also had the high

series of the night with 557. Other high games were Kobak, 204; Pahnke, 214. C. Emmert, 208 and Holbrook, 206.

We understand LeRoy Warner is very well pleased with the improvement in his bowling at Lincoln Lanes, and especially well satisfied with the outcome of a recent match with Ed Holbrook. The Lanes proprietor.

Happy New Year to all of you!

Sports Shorts

Great Lakes, Ill., Dec. 31—(AP)—Bill Smith, the famed Hawaiian swimmer, will make his first splash for points for the Navy today.

Smith, ranked as one of the country's outstanding all-around swimmers, will lead Great Lakes swimmers in a meet against Northwestern University. One of the Wildcat stars is Bob Tribble, Smith's teammate at Honolulu. Both were on the All-Hawaiian team which competed against United States teams two years ago.

Smith was a freshman star at Ohio State University last year.

Chicago, Dec. 31—(AP)—There will be no admission charge for a college basketball game at the Midway fieldhouse at the University of Chicago today.

The Maroons made a last minute addition to their schedule, booking Chicago Technical College for a New Year's Eve contest. Tech, playing its first year of basketball, has won one game, lost one.

The Maroons hope they can finish 1943 with a victory, breaking a losing streak of 45 consecutive games dating back to Dec. 6, 1941.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31—(AP)—Babe Dahlgren, 31-year-old Phillies first baseman, will do his playing for the Pittsburgh Pirates next year and the voluntarily retired Babe Phelps, Pirate catcher, will do a Phillies uniform.

A trade of the two "Babes" was announced yesterday by the Phillies new president, youthful Bob Carpenter, Jr., who said the Pirates also sent a check along with Phelps. The sum was not disclosed.

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 31—(AP)—Amos Alonzo Stagg, 81-year-old coach of the College of the Pacific, believes "we who love football owe our gratitude to the Navy."

"I wish I could say the same for the Army," he added in a talk yesterday at a pre-Rose Bowl game luncheon.

He said he had written his old friend, Henry L. Stimson, asking him to include football in the Army training program. The secretary of war replied that the men in charge of Army sports had told him other plans had been made.

"A great mistake," said Stagg.

Football

(By The Associated Press)

Facts and figures on tomorrow's football games, giving name of bowl, site, names of opposing teams, with their won-lost-tied records, expected attendance and kickoff times:

Pasadena, Calif.—Southern California (7-2-0) vs University of Washington (4-0-0), 9:00 a. m. (CWT).

Sugar Bowl at New Orleans—Tulsa (6-0-1) vs Georgia Tech (7-3-0) 7:00 p. m.

East-West game at San Francisco—Attendance 58,000, kickoff 4 p. m.

Orange Bowl at Miami—Louisiana State (6-3-0) vs Texas A & M (7-1-1), 2:30 p. m.

Cotton Bowl at Dallas—Texas (7-1-0) vs Randolph Field (9-1-0), 3:00 p. m.

Oil Bowl at Houston, Tex.—Arkansas A & M (5-1-1) vs Southern Louisiana (4-0-1), 3:00 p. m.

Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex.—Southwestern of Texas (9-1-1) vs New Mexico (3-1-0), 2:00 p. m.

Only Key Policemen and Firemen Are to be Given Deferment

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31—(AP)—Illinois selective service headquarters has instructed local draft boards to grant occupational deferments to public policemen and firemen only when such registrants hold key administrative positions.

A memorandum to local boards said a liberal deferment policy may be used in cases involving prewar fathers among such registrants if the police or fire department has made "an honest effort" to replace them.

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Happy New Year

In looking over the past year we call to mind many kindnesses in different ways that have been shown to us. The many calls, the cards of greetings but perhaps the most helpful kindness shown us is with our items. We feel that folks are realizing more and more that it is only through their helpfulness that we do from week to week maintain the Franklin Grove items in the Dixon Telegraph. The past year there has been more items written and handed to us than ever before which is such a help and greatly appreciated. It is very difficult to write any social event if one is not present, and there has always been someone kind enough to write it for us. Then, too, we are mindful of those faithful ones who every week give us some news item. At the close of the year we take this opportunity to thank you all for your long-suffering with us during the year and too, also thank you all for remembering us so generously at Christmas. As the years roll by we realize more and more how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you and it is indeed a happy privilege to thank you sincerely for your friendly helpfulness and extend to you all our best wishes for a prosperous, happy and victorious New Year

News and Views for and from our Boys in Service

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Veteran of Three Fronts Returns to Home Site in Dixon

Nelson "Doc" Camery, one of the first veterans of the active fronts in Africa, Sicily and Italy, from Dixon to return home, is enjoying the finest holiday season in two years. He spent one year in the African theater of operations as a member of the amphibious engineer corps, being the only soldier from the Dixon vicinity to be selected for this type of service.

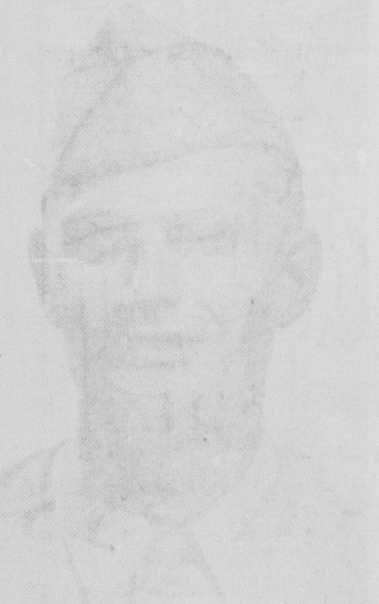
"In the entire year I never met any one from Dixon or vicinity that I knew, until one day after being released I met Lieut. Fordham on the streets in Oran," he told a Telegraph representative. War, he stated, was all that General Sherman said it was, but unhesitatingly he voiced strongly his opinion that the campaign against the German would be over in 1944.

"Doc" left Dixon in March, 1941, with the members of Co. A, 129th Infantry, and received his basic training at Camp Forrest, Tenn. He was selected and transferred to Camp Edwards, Mass., where he was assigned to service with the amphibious engineers.

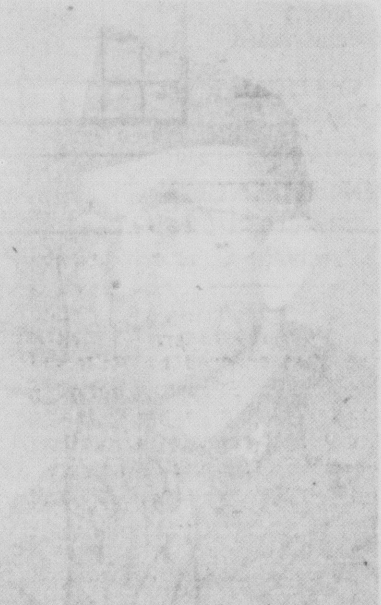
The morale of the American forces is the very highest, he states, and the general feeling between American and British forces is very mutual and pleasant, all being determined on one thing, that being the early victory over the axis forces, in Italy. He stated, the Italians were overjoyed when the American forces arrived and they were accorded every hospitality available. During his service in Africa, he was selected as Gen. Clark's personal driver for two days. On being returned to the United States, he made the trip on a hospital ship which bore wounded from both the Sicily and Italian fronts, and during the one year in service, he escaped without a single scratch, but suffered two attacks of malaria fever.



Pictured above is the 1070th Platoon of the United States Marine Corps at San Diego, California, of which Pvt. Kenneth G. D. Yonug (fourth row, third from right) is a member. Pvt. Young is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Young of 701 E. Graham street. Pvt. Young's mailing address is Platoon 1070 Training Regiment, R.D.M.C.B., San Diego, 41, California.



—Telegraph Engraving
Lieut. J. Courtney Ryan, former member of the law firm of Dixon, Devine, Erackin & Dixon, who was commissioned lieutenant at Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 23 after completing a special course of instruction at the University of Michigan. He is now in Dixon on a short leave while awaiting assignment in overseas service as a member of the judge advocate general's staff.



—Telegraph Engraving
Pvt. Warren Walder of the U. S. Marine Corps was home over the Christmas holiday from his post at Oberlin College, Ohio.

Chief Pharmacist's Mate Robert Sterling of the U. S. Coast Guard is home on a furlough, visiting his friends and relatives in Dixon.



—Telegraph Engraving
Nelson "Doc" Camery, who is home on a leave of absence after serving one year in the African theater of war operations, and a veteran of action in Africa, Sicily and Italy. He was released subject to being recalled to active duty at Naples, Italy on Oct. 23, and with his wife, is spending several days visiting with relatives in Dixon and vicinity.



—Telegraph Engraving
The present address of Bernard Callahan, P.O. M. 3/c, of the Callahan Pho. M. 3/c is as follows: care Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco, California. Bernard formerly worked as assistant circulation supervisor and photographer for the Dixon Evening Telegraph.

(This address is insufficient for mailing.)
Pvt. Crawford Coleman, stationed in New York City, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Jennie Coleman, and sister, Mrs. Georgia Dickerson for the past several days. On his return he will make a short visit with relatives in Chicago. Pvt. Coleman has completed all courses in Uncle Sam's school of cooking and expects to be transferred to California upon his return to New York.



—Telegraph Engraving
Paul Marth, R.D. M. 3/c, of the U. S. Navy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Marth. Paul Marth's address is care Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif.

(This address is insufficient for mailing.)
Darrell Brenner, Jr., of this city has enlisted in the U. S. Navy and will be inducted Monday. He is now stationed at Great Lakes. He has a brother, Robert, who has been in the Navy since July of this year, and their father, Darrell Brenner, Sr., has been in the Navy for more than a year. The senior Brenner is doing sea duty at present and Robert is stationed at Navy Pier in Chicago.

Ensign George Cain and wife arrived from the east coast recently for a short visit with relatives and friends.



—Telegraph Engraving
William J. Callahan, S. 2-C of the U. S. Navy is now receiving mail as follows: U. S. N. R. E. Bat. 10, Barracks 1014, Shoemaker, California. William formerly was a Telegraph carrier.



—Telegraph Engraving
A.C. Richard Callahan is now stationed at Uvalde, Texas and is receiving mail as follows: 16123-329, 305th A.A.F.F.T.D., Class 44-F, Uvalde, Texas. Richard formerly employed by the Telegraph as carrier.

Pvt. Cecil Kellen who is stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia, is now receiving mail as follows: A.S.N. 36774481, Barracks T-320, Company L, 12th QMTR, Camp Lee, Va.

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—Telegraph Engraving
A/C Eddie Callahan, who is stationed at the Army Air Base at Courtland, Alabama, is now receiving mail as follows: Class 44-C, A.A.F.B.F.S., Courtland, Alabama. A/C Callahan was at one time a Telegraph carrier.



—Telegraph Engraving
Lieut. Kenneth Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross of Franklin Grove, took part in the invasion of Sicily. Lt. Gross has been overseas nine months.



—Telegraph Engraving
Lieut. Arthur S. Schick, who is stationed at Fort George G. Meade, is receiving mail as follows: O-355395, A Battery, 19th Bn., 5th F. A. Regiment, A.G.F., Repl Depot No. 1, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.



—Telegraph Engraving
The present address of Pvt. John M. Dimmig is A.P.O. 362, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y. (This address is insufficient for mailing.)



—Telegraph Engraving
Pvt. Russell Roscoe Bruce has been transferred from Camp Phillips, Kansas to the following address: A.P.O. 9301, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y. (This address is insufficient for mailing.)



—Telegraph Engraving
William E. Richards, Seaman 2/c of the U. S. Navy, has been transferred from Farragut, Idaho to the Naval Air Base at Alameda, California. His full mailing address is William E. Richards S. 2-c U. S. N. A. S., Personal Dept., Alameda, Cal.



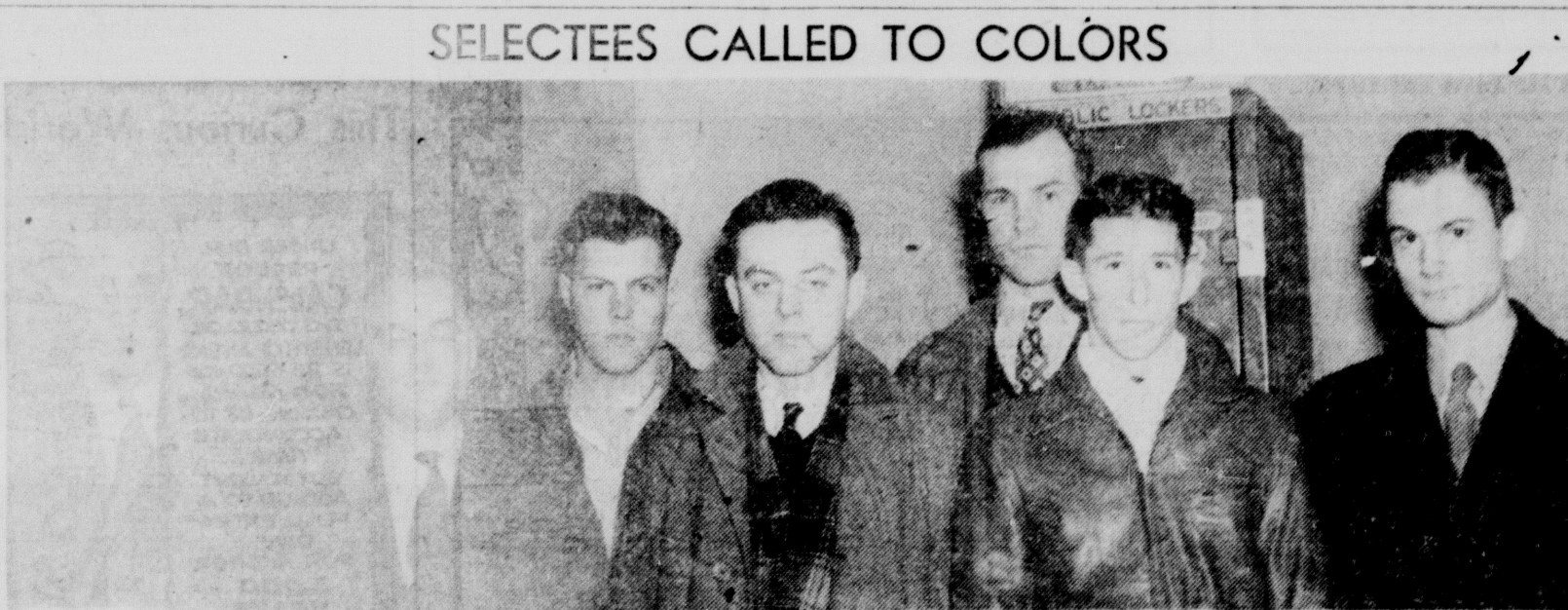
—Telegraph Engraving
M/Sgt. Gordon K. Schuttler, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schuttler of 1016 West Second street, is now home visiting his friends and relatives after serving for 15 months overseas. Sgt. Schuttler arrived in Dixon on Christmas night and will leave soon for Miami, Florida, where he will attend officers' candidacy school.

Pvt. Jo Van Meter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Van Meter of 704 Palmyra avenue, was home from Oberlin College, Ohio, over the Christmas holiday. Pvt. Van Meter is a member of the U. S. Marine Corps.

Ensign Willard (Woody) Thompson is home visiting his mother and friends from his base at St. Augustine, Florida.

Pvt. Howard Edwards, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Edwards, is home visiting friends and relatives over the holiday season.

Pvt. Richard E. Gilmore's address is APO 9130, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y. (This address is insufficient for mailing.)



The following selectees were ordered to report to Board One, Lee County recently: (Front row, left to right): Marilyn Rosenberg; William Slothower and Kenneth Berogan; (Back row, left to right): Thomas H. Darnell, Len Thompson, Dean Moore, and Francis Loomis.

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| Home Lumber & Coal Company | Dixon Transit Company, Inc. | Royal Blue Store | Cook's Flower Shop | Wilbur Lumber Company | Phillips' Bake Shop |
| George Lindquist | Bowman Bros. | Hall's, Appliance and Paints | Newman Brothers | Dixon Water Company | Dixon Home Telephone Co. |
| Central Food Store | Spurgeon's | A. L. Geisenheimer & Company | Dixon Recreation, Ken Detweiler | H. V. Massey Hdw., Ace Store | Atty. Elwin S. Wadsworth |
| Vandenbergs' Paint Store | Walter C. Knack | Trein's Jewelry Store | Plowman's Busy Store | Dixon Fruit Company | W. H. Ware, Hardware |
| Skip's Cafe | Hey Bros. Ice Cream Company | City National Bank | Holland Furnace Company | J. J. Newberry & Co. | Moran Aire-Flow Co. |
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NEWS and VIEWS

(Continued from page 9)

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Frazer have received word of the change of address of their son, Bernard L. Frazer. His address is: A.P.O. 565, care Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

(This address is insufficient for mailing).

Word has been received here that W. A. Zoeller, now of Franklin Grove and formerly of Dixon, has been promoted to the rank of Major at his post at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Daniel L. Cruse ... S. is now receiving mail as follows: Company 1893, U.S.N.T.S., Camp Perry, Great Lakes, Illinois.

John W. Siefkin, son of Mrs. Anne Fritts of R. F. D. No. 2, Dixon, was recently promoted to the rank of technician 4th grade.

A/C Cyril M. Shank, son of Mrs. Cecil Shelton of 510 N. Main street, is now stationed at Jones Field, Bonham, Texas. His full mailing address is: 17151772, Class 44-F, Box 456, 302nd A.A.F. F.T.D., Jones Field, Bonham, Texas. A/C Shank is a 1942 graduate of Dixon high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reed of Nelson have received word from their son, Staff Sergeant Robert R. Reed who has been transferred to the William Beaumont general hospital at El Paso, Texas, where he is being treated for rheumatism. Friends may write him at the following address: Ward 27, William Beaumont general hospital, El Paso, Texas. He had been previously stationed at Maria, Texas.

Pfc. Elmer A. Heckman, 1820 West First street, is a patient at England General Hospital at Atlantic City, which is part of the Army Medical Department's large rehabilitation center for sick and wounded soldiers. The center is housed in a group of this resort's biggest and most modern beachfront hotels and its program is designed to restore fighting men to physical and mental health before returning them to active duty or civilian life.

Lt. Don Youngmark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Youngmark of Dixon, has reported as a student officer to the B-24 Transition School at Kirtland Field, New Mexico, where he will receive training as a pilot of the huge Liberator bombers. Lt. Youngmark recently received his commission and his wings when he completed cadet training at Stockton Field, California.

Pvt. Robert M. Tennant, arrived Friday afternoon from New York City to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tennant. Pvt. Tennant returned to his base at the City College of New York Saturday night. His address is: Pvt. Robert M. Tennant 16133057, A.S.T.U. 3225-S, C. S. U., Co. A, Sec. 3, Army Hall C.C.N.Y., 1560 Amsterdam Ave., New York 31, N. Y.

Sgt. Albert P. Dyar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Dyar of 131 North Jefferson avenue, Amboy, Illinois, has qualified as a marksman in use of the Carbine Rifle at the Rome, N. Y., Army Air Field, according to an announcement by Brig.-Gen. C. P. Kane, Commanding General, Rome Air Service Command.

Sgt. Dyar scored 136 on the field's firing range in tests held this week.

First Lieut. Robert C. Meppen, 27, is now stationed at Laughlin Field, Del Rio, Texas, part of the Army Air Force Training Command, where he will receive a nine-week specialized course in piloting the Martin B-26 Marauder, world's fastest medium bomber.

Lt. Meppen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Meppen, 522 S. Hennepin avenue, Dixon, Ill.

FEED THE BIRDS!

Hold Everything



5 More Dixonites at Great Lakes School

New recruits at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, are five Dixon, Illinois, men.

They are now receiving instruction in seamanship, military drill and naval procedure. Soon, they will be given a series of aptitude tests for determining whether they will be assigned to one of the Navy's service schools, or to immediate active duty at sea.

Upon completing their recruit training, these men will be home on a line-day leave. They are: Lea A. Miles of 122 Crawford avenue; Stanley Bolivar of Route 3; Harvey Nodine, Jr., of 303 W. Morgan street; George Carlson of 1611 West First street, and Harold J. McCardle of 701 Lincoln avenue.

Amusements

CIVIC THEATER

Tagged as a John Golden laugh-speech, "Three Is A Family," which has been a robust Broadway hit for many months, seems to have repeated itself as Chicago's latest stage success. This laugh play is now at the Civic Theater, which adjoins the Civic Opera House in Chicago. "Three Is A Family" is a fast-moving comedy of American family life, in succession to such Golden hits in recent years as "Claudia," "Skylark" and "Susan and God." The current "Three Is A Family" differs from the others in that the emphasis this time is on the complications ensuing when a girl moves back into her parents home with her baby as her husband enters the Army. Written by Phoebe and Henry Ephron, "Three Is A Family" brings a wealth of Broadway talent to Chicago. The uproarious John Golden cast includes such names as Charles Burrows, Margaret Irving, Josephine McKim, Otto Hulett, George Calvert, Richard Camp, Helen Stenborg, Dulcie Cooper, Barbara Bell Wright and Eulabelle Moore, among others.

The authors of "Three Is A Family" are a pair of new young playwrights, Phoebe and Henry Ephron, who are a married couple with a young baby of their own, which insures authenticity in the humanly amusing incidents concerned with the advent of a baby in a household.

There is, in addition, another feature in "Three Is A Family" that is a frequent trademark of Golden plays—namely, a charming and unforgettable old-man character, Dr. Bartlett. Remembering that the greatest hit of all Golden presentations was "Lightnin'," with its aging central character, it's easy to see how John Golden would have a partiality for plays with flavorful 'old croaks' in them.

COLD BLAZE

Chicago—The DesPlaines river has its hot spots these days—three fires have broken out on the ice floes in the last fortnight.

Albert Vay, River Forest fire chief, is getting weary of making repeat performances on the river shores to prevent the spread of the flames by keeping them on ice.

When the river freezes an oil slick gathers on top of the ice, Vay explains. Then come the ice fires.

SLIP OF THE TONGUE

San Jose, Calif.—"Thirty years in the county jail!" boomed Police Judge Percy O'Connor in passing sentence on a vagrant.

The man gulped, blanched and swayed.

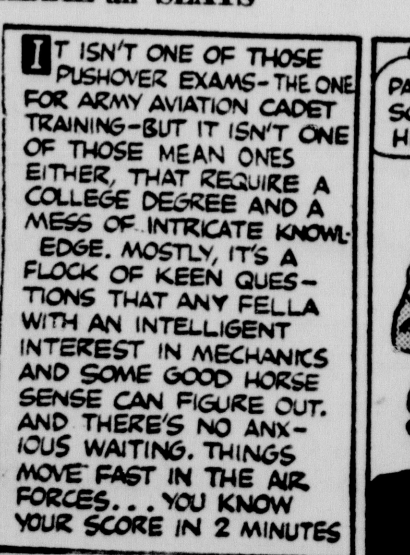
Then the judge corrected himself: "Whoops, 30 days, I mean."

—Just the thing for the businessman's desk—scratch pads—4 for 15 cents.—B. F. Shaw Printing Company.

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ABBIE an' SLATS



Americans Bought About Everything They Could Get

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Americans bought everything they could lay their hands on in 1943—from paper-soled shoes to wooden sprung mattresses—and pushed up the sales of all retail stores to a record-smashing estimate of \$63,000,000,000.

But, says the department of commerce, old man inflation caused consumers to put out about one-third more money in 1943 than they would have paid for

similar merchandise in peace years.

"After allowing as far as possible for price changes," said the federal agency, "the 1943 total is reduced to 47.7 billion 1935-39 dollars, only 1 per cent larger than in 1942."

On a dollar value basis, this year's sales were estimated at 9 per cent higher than the revised 1942 total of \$57,800,000,000—previous high record.

Apparently there will be no let-up in 1944 if the stores can help it, although they are warily buying wartime substitutes on a hand-to-mouth basis as much as possible because they feel the public will drop such merchandise

like hot cakes the day peace arrives.

Few Durable Goods

Continuing in 1944 probably will be the virtual absence of durable goods—new refrigerators, kitchen stoves, radios and a myriad of other articles made from metals. Some relief may come, however, because the War Production Board has indicated clocks, irons, washing machines and similar items may be produced in limited numbers.

The WPB found in a recent survey based on about 5,000 interviews in 68 representative localities that Americans were more bothered over butter than over

any other wartime shortage. Next most worrisome were shortages of meat, sugar, soap and canned goods.

The report showed consumers were annoyed about inability to buy small items like bobbie pins or flashlight batteries. Under a question "What's bothering you most?" were listed elastic, wash-tubs, sheets, pails, dress fabrics, tableware, cloths, women's girdles, iron cords and radio tubes.

The \$63,000,000,000 estimated total of all retail sales this year is a terrific chunk of money. For a good comparison, Americans can think back in 1933—which wasn't such a bad year—when a

total national income was just a little higher at \$64,134,000,000.

JUDICIAL ADVICE

Chicago, Dec. 30.—(AP)—"No woman is worth killing herself for," Municipal Judge Francis Borrelli told John Jankaskas, 27, when he freed him on a charge of disorderly conduct yesterday. Jankaskas had admitted he attempted to end his life with gas because his wife had left him. "If your wife doesn't come back to you," Judge Borrelli told Jankaskas, "find another."

—If you have any news—social or otherwise—call No. 5, The Dixon Evening Telegraph.

THE PAYOFF

Oklahoma City—(AP)—When scout car officers arrested him for speeding, he insisted on seeing "My Pal," Police Chief L. J. Hilbert.

"Can you help me on this?" he asked the chief.

"I can't keep you from being booked for speeding," said Hilbert, because that wouldn't be right. But I'll pay your fine for you if you want me to."

The speeder blushed like a red traffic light—and paid.

—Brides-to-be will find a nice selection of wedding invitations and announcements at the B. F. Shaw Printing Company.

Happy New Year

By Edgar Martin



RED RYDER

Getting Warmer

By Fred Harman



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Fleeting Fame

By Merrill Blosser



WASH TUBS

The Skipper's Going, Too

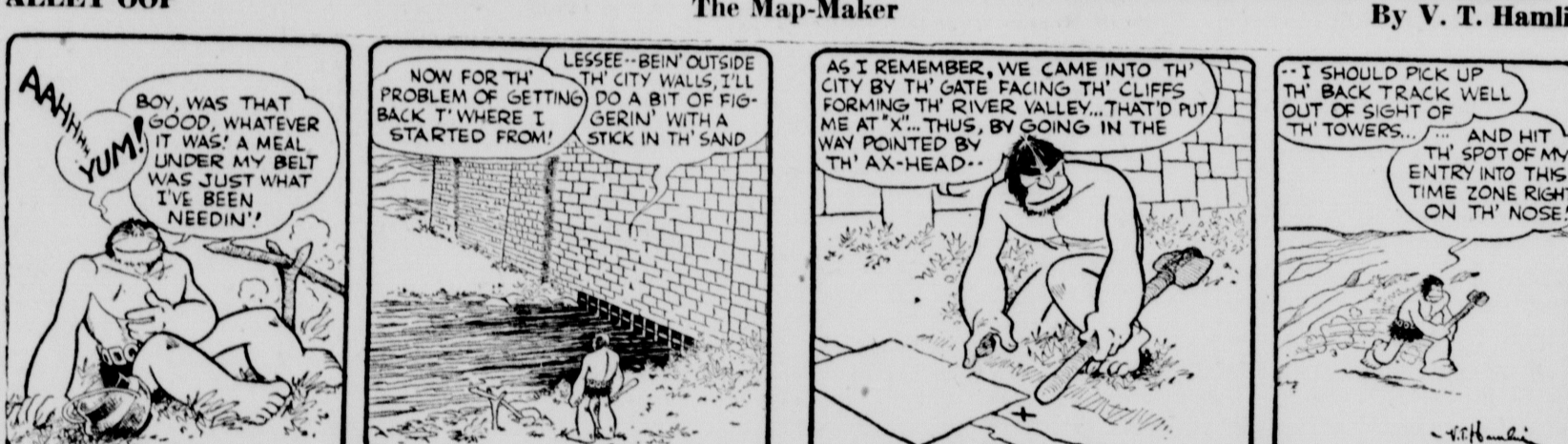
By Leslie Turner



ALLEY OOP

The Map-Maker

By V. T. Hamlin



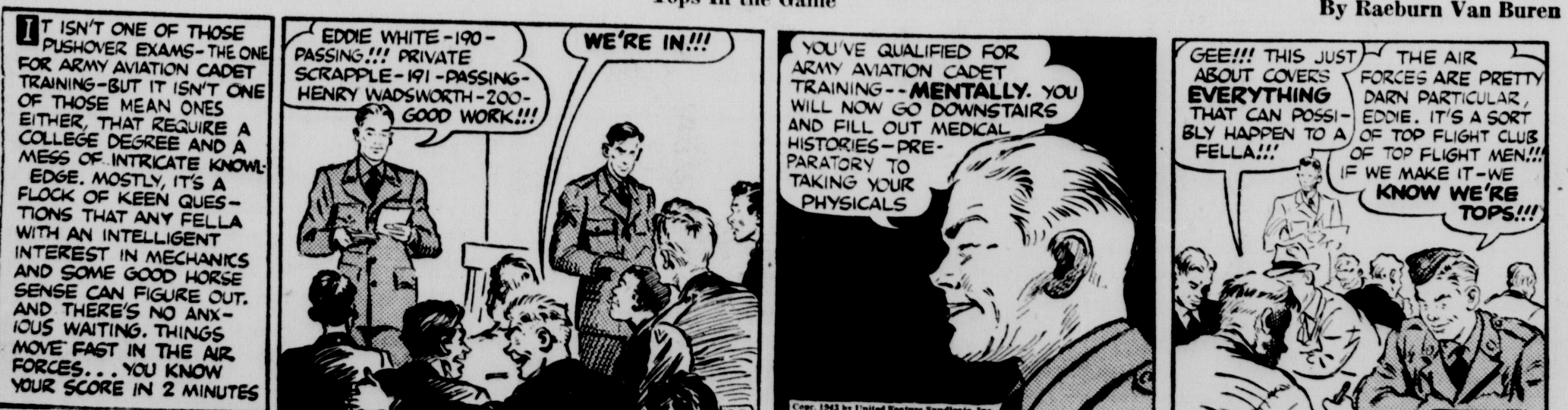
Will He Live Till 1944?

By Al Capp



Tops In the Game

By Raeburn Van Buren



TARGET IN BASKETBALL

HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured is a basketball

6 Kind of knitting

12 Either

13 Seize

14 Belongs to us

15 Hail!

16 Animal

18 Solid body

19 One and nine

20 Early English (abbr.)

21 Skiff

22 Repair

23 Hack

25 Deep shoe

26 Dolt

27 Type measure

28 Within

29 Footed vase

32 Disencumber

34 From

35 Mirth

36 Before

37 Halt!

38 Like

39 Us

40 Talent

41 Fleishy

43 Hawaiian bird

44 Upward

45 Girl's name

46 It is fastened to — board

49 Steal

52 Tub

53 Since

54 Hawaiian food

55 Rhode Island (abbr.)

56 Constructed

57 Entire

VERTICAL

1 Marsh

Answer to Previous Puzzle

DANIEL FRENCH
ELITE SNARE
OVALS MA TREES
DENSE LOLL DELE
ES STOA DANIEL
STOIA DANIEL
PEAL FRENCH
EN FRENCH
ALAS LOON SLAM
TRES NO SHEDS
SCRAP SHADE
THE MINUTEMAN

2 Exist

3 Part of leg

4 Dine

5 Symbol for

6 The game is played on a

7 Gem

8 Mineral rock

9 Causing hate

10 Level

11 Care for

17 Modern

18 Pigeon's cry

21 Perform

22 Mother

23 At this place

24 Prince

26 Upon

28 Whether

30 Stern

31 Bird's home

33 Toothed

34 Exclamation

35 Proceed

37 Him

39 War Office (abbr.)

40 Mimic

41 — men are on each team

42 Jewish month

43 All right (coll.)

44 One

46 Flying mammal

47 Grow old

48 Fish

49 Male child

50 Curved line

51 Traveling outfit

54 3,1416

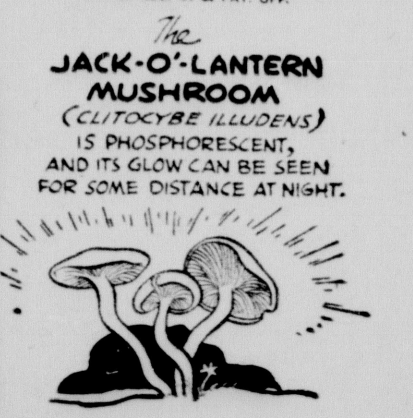


This Curious World

By WILLIAM FERGUSON



QUINGOODS



NEXT: It's all Henry Wickham's fault.

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GRACEY FUR SHOP
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Wanted — Cesspool Cleaning.
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Wanted—Shipments of all kinds
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WANTED! COOK
\$25 per week and room; Middle-aged or elderly woman to cook for family of four people; must be good pastry cook and, if so, will be permanent position. No housework. Apply in person after 12 noon at
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J. H. Hughes.

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Man for dairy farm, also operate tractor-machinery. Willing to pay good wages for suitable man.
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ling heifers. Also, some furni-
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FOR SALE—21 YEARLING
Whiteface Calves; 1—Team
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Cholera immunized; priced to sell.
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WELLS, ILL. 5-12-30 p. m.
2 Head Horses, 17 Head Cattle;
30 Head Hogs, Machinery; ay.
Poultry. Terms: Cash. Gentry
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12 O'CLOCK, NOON
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5 registered Milk Cows; 6 Grade
Milk Cows; 2-2-yr-old Reg.
Heifers; 1-Reg. Yrkg. Heifer; 1-
9-mos.-old Registered Bull Calf;
1-8-mos.-old Grade Calf; 1-4-
yr.-old Registered Holstein
Bull, Cole's Cascade Pterjer
Boy. Dam's record 88 lbs. 3.8
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per year, official record.
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ROY S. MCCracken, Owner.

For Sale—3-pc. Bedroom Suite,
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FOR SALE—BLACK SHOE
SKATES (size 6 1/2).
Also would like to buy pair size
7 shoe skates.
6 FT. SKIS (maple)
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Blue Points—WENR
4:30 Malcolm Clair—WENR
Just Plain Talk—WMAQ
4:45 Front Page Farrell—
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5:00 Music at Five—WMAQ
Terry and Pirates—WENR
5:15 Piano Melodias—WCFL
Happy Jack Turner—
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5:30 Jack Armstrong—WENR
5:45 Captain Midnight—WENR
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Evening
6:00 Sweet and Spanish—
WMAQ
Dr. Preston Bradley—WGN
6:15 Late News of the World—
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Eye Witness—WBBM
6:30 Lone Ranger—WLS
Easy Aces—WBBM
Supper Music—WMAQ
6:45 H. V. Kelterborn—
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Persons—WBBM
Frank Black's Orch.—
WMAQ
7:00 Kate Smith Hour—WBBM
7:15 Gracie Fields—WGN
Parker Family—WLS
7:30 Meet Your Navy—WLS
Hit Parade—WMAQ
Sherlock Holmes—WGN
8:00 Playhouse—WBBM
Waltz Time—WMAQ
Gabriel Heater—WGN
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8:30 People Are Funny—
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That Brewster Boy—
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Double or Nothing—WGN
Spotlight Band—WENR
9:00 Garry Moore; Jim Durante
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Amos 'n' Andy—WMAQ
9:15 Listen to Lulu—WENR
9:30 Soldiers With Wings—
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Canteen—WBBM
Sports Newsreel—WMAQ
10:00 Victory Tune—WMAQ
Summertime Symphonette
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I Love a Mystery—WBBM
10:15 So the Story Goes—WBBM
Colony Serenade—WBBM
Music Lovers—WCFL
Playtime—WMAQ
11:00 Globe Trotter—WENR
Moment Musical—WMAQ
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Illegal Wearing of
Uniform "Racket",
FBI Official Says

Chicago, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The
Chicago FBI office investigated
more than 500 cases of illegal
wearing of military uniforms in
1943, a notably larger number
than last year, Spencer J. Drayton,
special agent in charge of the of-
fice, said in his annual report.

Illegal wearing of military uni-
forms has "grown to the propor-
tions of a racket," Drayton said.
"Petty chiselers have discovered
that it is easier to operate while
wearing a uniform," he said.
"Some of them are more or less
harmless and wear the uniform to
get a free meal at the USO or
servicemen's centers, or as an aid
to hitch-hiking, but many impost-
ers are preying on the friends and
relatives of servicemen's families
by posing as their buddies or of-
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Visiting Husband

Mrs. Howard Martin left Thursday morning for Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., to visit her husband, Sgt. Martin.

Delegate

Miss Flora Blomquist was a delegate at the meeting of the Illinois Educational Association in Chicago this week.

Attend Ice Review

Misses Gladys Thomas and Gertrude Cann spent Wednesday and Thursday in Chicago and attended the Hollywood Ice Review at the Stadium.

At Home of Parents

Captain and Mrs. Darrell Rhoads and daughter Nancy Diana of Camp Chaffee, Ark., are spending the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rhoads.

Attended Annual Meeting

W. L. Pickering, county superintendent of schools returned home Wednesday from Chicago where he had been in attendance at the annual meeting of the county superintendent's association.

Persons

Mrs. Elizabeth Ely who has been in Rockford the past few months is returning to Oregon today.

Seaman William Tremble of Navy Pier was home for the weekend, Miss Lois Rowe of Mt. Morris and Dr. H. L. Hefty were dinner guests Saturday at the Tremble home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gore left Thursday to return to Hempstead, Long Island after a ten days visit with their daughter, Mrs. Philip Nye and family.

Sam Smith of DeKalb made a brief visit Wednesday at the home of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kinn.

Mrs. G. E. Marsh of Tipton, Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Williams of Rochelle were callers on Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. A. Tilton.

Mrs. Grady Lampman and daughter Judy were Rockford visitors Thursday.

Revenue Director Has Plan to Get Figures Quickly

Chicago, Dec. 31—(AP)—Philip W. Collins, state revenue director, yesterday said he had worked out a program of prompt action which was expected to "avert a serious tax crisis" in many of Illinois' 101 downstate counties.

The problem, which he said was brought about by Cook county's decision to assess all property on a basis of 100 per cent of its value instead of 37 per cent as

previously, was worked out at a meeting between Collins and a committee of county clerks headed by John Hillen of Warren county, president of the Illinois County Clerks Association.

The program contemplates certification of capital stock and railroad assessments to the counties a few days after Feb. 1, when Collins said, Cook county had promised to have its figures completed.

Hillen said the program would enable downstate counties to get tax bills out more than 30 days ahead of the June 1 penalty date, and would "avert a crisis that threatened to leave many counties without funds and with every means to anticipate tax collections already exhausted."

Need to State Figures

Collins explained that county clerks, who have received their local assessment figures from the county boards of review, could not spread their assessments and issue their tax bills until they received from the state the railroad and capital stock assessments for property within their counties.

By law, the revenue department must make these assessments uniformly, using a statewide average of the equalization factors used in all 102 counties. The department had been unable to proceed this year, Collins said, because John S. Clark, Cook county assessor, reported Cook county's property would be assessed at 100 per cent. This would raise the statewide average from 31 per cent to somewhere between 56 and 60 per cent, he estimated.

"I am now informed by Mr. Clark that his figures will be completed by Feb. 1," Collins declared. "We have made all our plans to act promptly as soon as we receive those figures, and if the Cook county assessor adheres to his schedule we shall be able to certify the capital stock and railroad assessments to the county clerks a few days thereafter."

Hillen said the county clerks would cooperate in the program and that he believed Warren county would not proceed with plans for a mandamus suit it had been threatening to force the revenue department to certify assessments at last year's figure.

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